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SAILING TO PLYMOUTH AND LONDON
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Date.	Steamer.	Tons.
1920		
4th December	Narkunda ..	16,118
11th "	Malwa ..	10,883
18th "	Kalyana ..	8,987
25th "	Morvada (a) ..	8,198
1st January	Malwa ..	10,883
8th "	China ..	7,932
15th "	Adelade (b) ..	7,972
22nd "	Devanah ..	8,092
29th "	Siola (c) ..	8,092
5th February	Siola (d) ..	10,890
12th "	Katara-Hind ..	11,430
19th "	Malwa ..	10,883
26th "	Naldera ..	15,825

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Date.	Steamers.	Remarks.
4th December	Morea ..	Calls Colombo, Fremantle and Sydney
12th "	Dhawa ..	Calls Colombo, Singapore, Hongkong and Shanghai
31st "	Naldera ..	Calls Colombo, Fremantle, Adelaide Melbourne and Sydney

SAILING TO AFRICA, KARACHI AND PERSIAN GULF.

Date.	Steamers.	Remarks.
1920.		
2nd Dec.	Barjora ..	Karachi and P. Gulf.
2nd "	Chakdara ..	Bombay direct.
3rd "	Lhasa ..	Karachi direct
6th "	Taroba ..	East and South Africa
6th "	Linga ..	Karachi via Katha (war ports 9-30 a.m.)

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Yokohama	B. Takiguchi	4141	4th Nov.	2nd Nov.
Yasuda	Kubo	3195	20th Nov.	30th Nov.
Yokohama	K. Yamada	5354	15th Dec.	22nd Dec.
Yokohama	O. Hideshima	4071	19th Dec.	30th Dec.

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STERLING RESERVE FUND .. \$1,500,000
SILVER RESERVE FUND .. \$23,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF
PROPRIETORS .. \$15,000,000

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Paid Up Capital .. £785,243
Reserve Fund .. £220,000
Reserve Liability of Shareholders .. £1,974,400

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PAID-UP CAPITAL .. Yen 45,000,000
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BRANCH: Ahmedabad.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED .. Rs. 2,00,00,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP .. Rs. 1,00,00,000

RESERVE FUND .. Rs. 1,00,00,000

CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS.

Interest is allowed on daily balances from Rs. 500 to Rs. 1,00,000 at the rate of 2 1/2 PER CENT. PER ANNUM THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. On sums exceeding Rs. 1,00,000, interest is allowed by special arrangement. No interest will be allowed which does not amount to Rs. 3 per half year.

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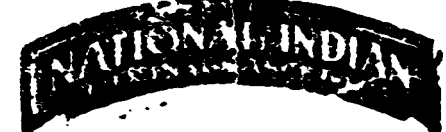
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TENDERS are invited for sale of all kinds of Waste in the Jam Mfg. Co., Ltd., and will be accepted in the Company's Office, at No. 4, Dalmeida Street, Fort, Bombay, on the 8th December. All tenders must accompany **Rs. 300** as deposit. Forms can be had from Co.'s Office. Bombay, 29th November, 1920. 6662

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NOTICE.

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PUBLIC NOTICE.

THE COORLA SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at 23, Church Gate Street, at 4-30 p.m., on SATURDAY, the 11th day of December, 1920, for the purpose of considering and (if thought fit) passing the following resolutions as special resolutions:—

(1) That the following be added after Article 11 of the Memorandum of Association:— "In the case of the death of any one or more of the persons named in the Register as the joint-holders of any Shares, the survivor or survivors shall be the only persons recognised by the Company as having any title to or interest in such Shares, but nothing herein contained shall be taken to release the estate of a deceased joint-holder from any liability in Shares held by him jointly with any other person."

(2) That Article 15 of the Articles of Association be amended by substituting in its place:— "The Company may, from time to time by special resolutions, sub-divide its Shares of the nominal value of any smaller amounts and that one Share Certificate may be issued for any number of Shares at the discretion of the Directors."

(3) That Article 29 of the Articles of Association be amended by striking off the words "to the order of the Company or its agents" and substituting in its place the words "the sum of Rs. 2." The Directors however shall have the option to charge a smaller fee in cases of applications for transfers of large number of Shares.

(4) That Article 32 of the Articles of Association be amended by striking off the words "Rs. 30" and substituting in its place the words "a sum not exceeding Rs. 100" and adding the words "as may from time to time be fixed by the Directors" after the word "him."

(5) That the following should be added to Article 39 of the Articles of Association:— "To provide for the welfare of persons in the employment of the Company, or formerly engaged in any business, acquired by the Company, and the wives, widows and families of such persons, by grants of pensions, or other payments, and by providing or subscribing towards places of instruction and recreation, and hospitals, dispensaries, and other attendance, and other assistance, as the Directors shall think fit, and to provide for the welfare of persons in religious, scientific, national or other institutions or objects, which shall have any moral or other claims to support and aid."

(6) That Article 113 be amended by striking off the words "the Company" and substituting in its place the words "One Director."

(7) That Article 81 be struck off and the following Article be substituted in its place:— "The minimum number of Directors shall be four and the maximum number shall be nine inclusive, and an ex-officio Director hereinafter mentioned. One member of the Firm of the Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents for the time being of the Company, who may be appointed by the Firm from time to time shall be the ex-officio Director of the Company. The ex-officio Director shall not be entitled to vote at any meeting of the Board upon any question affecting the Company or personally affecting his Firm."

And Notice is also hereby given that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at 23, Church Gate Street, at 4-30 p.m., on the 28th day of December, 1920, when a report will be furnished of the proceedings of the Extraordinary General Meeting and the aforesaid resolutions will, if passed by the requisite majority at that meeting, be submitted for confirmation as special resolutions. Should the said resolutions not be passed by the requisite majority at the said Meeting to be held on the 11th day of December, 1920, the said resolutions will be submitted to the Shareholders at the Meeting notified to be held on the 28th day of December, 1920, of which Notice is now given will not be held.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1920. By order of the Board, **J. COWASJEE JEHANGIR & CO.,** Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents. 6742

THE COORLA SPINNING & WEAVING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, at 23, Church Gate Street, at 5 p.m., on SATURDAY, the 11th day of December, 1920, for the purpose of considering and (if thought fit) passing the following resolutions of the Shareholders of the Company:—

The said draft Agreement is open for inspection of Shareholders on any working days during office hours, between the hours of 3 to 5 p.m., at the Registered Office of the Company, at No. 23, Church Gate Street.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1920. By order of the Board, **J. COWASJEE JEHANGIR & CO.,** Secretaries, Treasurers and Agents. 6741

NOTICE.

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THE SUGAR CORPORATION OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the STATUTORY MEETING of the SUGAR CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD. will be held at Navsari Buildings, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, the 15th day of December, 1920, at 11-30 a.m. (S.T.)

Dated this 29th day of November, 1920. By Order of the Board, **SARANGADHAR DAS,** Secretary. Registered Office:— 5, Wallace Street, Fort, Bombay. 6750

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NOTICE.

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C. LUCAS, Traffic Manager. Bombay, 2nd December, 1920. 6749

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W. ALEXANDER, Ag. General Traffic Manager. Bombay, 2nd December, 1920. 6757

THE CHHOI SILK MILL CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 207, Hornby Row, Fort, on THURSDAY, 9th December, 1920, at 4-30 p.m. (S.T.) To receive and adopt the Directors' Report and Audited statements of accounts for the year ending 30th June, 1920, to declare a Dividend, to elect Directors in place of those retiring by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election, to appoint Auditors for ensuing year and to fix his or their remuneration and to transact any other business the Chairman may bring before the meeting.

By order of the Board, **CHHOI KOOKA DESAI & CO.,** Secretaries and Agents. Bombay, 15th November, 1920.

N. B.—The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 7th December to 20th December, 1920, both days inclusive. 6752

THE PLANET MILLS, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an INTERIM DIVIDEND at the rate of **Rs. 10** (ten) per share free of Income Tax, has been declared for the year ending 30th September, 1920, and will be paid at the Registered office of the Company No. 43a, Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on and after TUESDAY, the 21st instant, between 12 noon and 3 p.m. (S.T.) to those shareholders whose names stand on the Company's Register on 11th December, 1920.

Owing to the postal strike Dividend Warrants of 200/- each will be issued on production of Share Certificates Dividend Warrants of 500/- each will be posted to their registered address as usual. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 13th to 20th December 1920. Both days inclusive.

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LEGAL NOTICE.

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V. by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Sea, King Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of **CAYATTA**, widow of **Bartholomew**, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Grant Road, without the Fort of Bombay.

RAMA BAYAJI GOPNE of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, a Cart Driver, residing at Sewri, without the Fort of Bombay. Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the above named deceased are hereby cited to come and see the proceedings, if they think fit, before the grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir **NORMAN CRANSTOUN MACLEOD**, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay, in the aforesaid 24th day of November, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty and in the Eleventh year of our Reign.

(Sd.) **R. B. PATEL,** Acting Registrar.

(Sd.) **W. J. HOWARD,** Messrs. **BHIMJI & CO.,** Petitioners' Attorneys. 6753

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

The 9th day of November, 1920.

Messrs. **BHIMJI & CO.,** Petitioners' Attorneys. 6753

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY.

TESTAMENTARY AND INTESTATE JURISDICTION.

GEORGE V. by the Grace of God of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, and of the British Dominions beyond the Sea, King, Defender of the Faith, Emperor of India.

Petition for Letters of Administration of the property and credits of **PREMIJI RAMDAS**, of Bombay, Hindu Inhabitant, late residing at Vadga, Mandvi in Bombay a Share Broker and bachelor who died at Bombay, aforesaid on the 10th day of August, 1920.

LALJI RAMDAS, of Bombay, Bhatia Hindu Inhabitant, residing at Vadga, Mandvi, without the Fort of Bombay, a brother and one of the next of kin of the above named deceased. Petitioner.

All persons claiming to have any interest in the Estate of the above named deceased are hereby cited to come and see the Proceedings if they think fit before the Grant of Letters of Administration.

Witness Sir **NORMAN CRANSTOUN MACLEOD**, Knight, Chief Justice at Bombay aforesaid this fourth day of November, in the year of our Lord One thousand nine hundred and twenty, and in the Eleventh year of our Reign.

(Sd.) **R. B. PATEL,** Ag. Registrar.

(Sd.) **W. J. HOWARD,** LALJI RAMDAS, Petitioner-in-person. 6746

The 5th day of November, 1920.

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A Press communique issued yesterday states that the Governor in Council pleased to make the following appointments of Members of the Committee for the Bombay Presidency Charitable Relief Fund in place of the Members whose period of office expired :—
 Sir Fakh-bhoy Currimbhoy, Kt.,
 The Hon. Metji Jijobhai, Bt.,
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Mr. C. V. P. Shivram writes to enquire if
the Government of India cannot act even
now.

Mr. P. N. Shah.—Thank you for your let-
ter. We do not need a correspondent.

THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE.

Friday, December 3, 1920.

THE BRITISH IN EGYPT.

The British had no right in Egypt. They went there in support of the Khedive, or hereditary viceroy, of a Turkish province whose father's debts had made him a pawn of European high finance; and they remained there as advisers and instructors without legal status. They reconquered the Sudan for Egypt, and in thirty years conferred upon the country more material benefits than they have conferred on any part of India in a century. The Egyptians—the most charming, easy-going and good-natured people in the world—welcomed their efforts and applauded them upon the whole so long as they admitted that they had no right in Egypt, but were there as friends and helpers merely to teach the people modern ways of management. Their position was a most complete anomaly, but an anomalous position may occasionally be a strong one where it is of natural growth and has the great advantage of leaving the feelings of all parties undisturbed. This the British officials both in London and in Cairo had not sense enough to see; and after the Anglo-French agreement of 1904 had given England really a free hand in Egypt, their constant aim was to assert a legal right. There were two opinions as to how this should be done. One party—much the stronger—was in favour of abolishing the Turkish suzerainty, establishing the Khedive as sovereign of Egypt and then obtaining his consent to a British protectorate; the other was in favour of suppressing the viceregal throne in favour of a British High Commissioner, who would derive

authority, as the Khedive derived authority, directly from the Khalifah; at the same time increasing the annual tribute paid by Egypt to Constantinople. There were few followers of this latter opinion, which had, however, the advantage over the former, of being in accordance with the views of the Egyptian people. The Khedivial throne has never been popular in the Valley of the Nile. It has always been synonymous with exploitation and oppression, and the Egyptians have rebelled against it more than once. They have not once rebelled against the Turkish suzerainty for reasons which escaped the notice of officials who regarded the said suzerainty as a mere anachronism. For the Egyptian people it was anything but an anachronism. They regarded themselves less as citizens of Egypt than as members of a great world-brotherhood, of which the Turkish Sultan was the head—a brotherhood in which usury is unlawful and the Abyssinian slave who does right is held superior to the Sheriff of Coreysh who does wrong—an empire in which no man ever died of hunger at his neighbour's gate—in fact, the very opposite of the Capitalistic modern State which the Khedive and the British were engaged in setting up in Egypt. In other words they attached great value to the position of their country as a part of the historic Muslim Empire, and would have regarded its detachment from that Empire as a great disaster. But the English did not realise their point of view. The first notice that they had of it was in the unrest which followed the Akaba incident, when Egypt, under British guidance, nearly came to war with Turkey on a quarrel about boundaries within what, from the Egyptian point of view, was all one country, being Muslim territory. At that time a high British official, going to call on an Egyptian friend, well-known for English sympathies, found that he was having his selamlik newly decorated, and inquired the reason. "It is to make it fit for the reception of the generals of our Lord the Sultan," was the frank reply. Then, for a time at any rate, the eyes of the English in Egypt were opened to the real state of Egyptian feeling. Lord Cromer in the last year of his reign inclined towards an understanding with Constantinople, which would undoubtedly have pleased the Egyptians. But he resigned. The British Foreign Office conceived an altogether false idea of the cause of discontent in Egypt which they ascribed to Lord Cromer's administration (nearly perfect of its kind) and so they made the great and irretrievable mistake which is responsible for the subsequent deterioration and disgrace of British rule in Egypt. Instead of an understanding with the Porte, and a rapprochement with the nationalist party, which Lord Cromer contemplated, the Foreign Office handed back the whole official patronage of Egypt to the Khedive. The step had only one political advantage: that it stopped the Khedive temporarily from intriguing with the Nationalist party as he had till then been doing; but it ruined the good work of twenty-five years. A fairly honest administration had been set up. It was succeeded by corruption. The Nationalists were the loudest in their outcry at this debacle; they accused the English of betraying not only Egypt but their own ideals. Less than three years after Lord Cromer's departure, Egypt was in such a state that ex-President Roosevelt, who passed through the country on his return from big game shooting in East Africa, was entreated by British officials to speak plainly to the British Government. He did so later in a Guildhall speech in London, when he told the British Government either to "govern or get out." And the British Government gave ear to so well advertised a personage, though it had been deaf to the advice of its own Egyptian experts. It decided to govern Egypt, but to govern with clenched teeth! All kinds of repressive measures were enforced against the wretched Nationalists; the freedom of the Press, of which Lord Cromer was the greatest champion, was abolished; and numbers of Egyptian patriots were exiled and imprisoned. With the result that a progressive and not originally anti-British movement was made "dangerous."

But all these measures were less potent to estrange and anger the Egyptian people than the anti-Turkish policy of the British "Liberal" Government. The mass of the Egyptian people did not become "Nationalist" until after England had proclaimed her will to sever Egypt from the Muslim Empire by abolishing the Turkish suzerainty and erecting an Egyptian Sultanate just after Turkey came into the war. Their feelings found no adequate expression under martial law, but they were there, suppressed; and the behaviour of Australian troops in Egypt, the scandals in connection with recruiting for the Egyptian Labour Corps and other wartime hardships, did not mitigate them. The English had no right to depose a Khedive or to set up a Sultan. The Khedive's right

in Egypt, and the position of the English in Egypt depended solely on the consent of the Khalifa: that was the Egyptian's point of view; and when the British had destroyed the Khedive's right and their position, they had no longer any right to be in Egypt. This feeling was expressed, after the war was over, in a rising of the fellahin who had till then been quoted as in favour of the British occupation. The Turkish flag was flown in many villages; and a vast crowd in Cairo, following the biers of persons killed in the said rising to the cemetery, chanted: "O God, restore the power of Turkey! O God, restore the help of El Islam!" And after the rising had been suppressed by force of arms the Egyptians made it clear that they would have nothing whatever to do with the Anglo-Egyptian Government or its edicts. Egypt was independent. Nothing could be done. The British had to come to terms with the Egyptian people, and the Milner-Zaghlul arrangement is the result. Will that arrangement be acceptable to the Egyptian people as a whole? We doubt it, because the Egyptian Delegation, in its pleading on behalf of Egypt, made no mention whatsoever of the question of Khilafat and the Turkish treaty, although Saad Pasha Zaghlul and his colleagues know as well as we do that it is the chief point with the vast majority of the Egyptians; and that, if it had not been for the abolition of the Turkish suzerainty over Egypt, the Nationalists would have been merely what they were before—a clique apart from the Egyptian people. Saad Pasha has himself admitted that it is so, while contending that it would have been impolitic to mention the chief grievance of the people. He may pay dearly for his political subtlety. At any rate it is certain that, though Egypt may be granted independence, the Egyptian people will be anti-British so long as the Khilafat wrong is unredressed.

THE STUDENTS' CONFERENCE.

There seems to be some alarm among the students of both parties with regard to the decisions of the forthcoming All-India Students' Conference at Nagpur, as if all such decisions would be final and irrevocable. But that can hardly be the case, considering the little time which has been allowed for organisation, and the fact that it is the first Conference of its kind. It is not summoned at the best time of the year for the convenience of the students, who have only a week's holiday at Christmas, whereas in April will begin the long vacation when they will have much more leisure to devote to such discussions. The Nagpur Conference ought not, we think, to be regarded as an assembly whose deliberations and whose resolutions will decide the fate of students for all time to come; but rather as a preliminary meeting for testing future possibilities and preparing for a fuller meeting and discussion later on. That it will reach decision upon some important points we quite believe; but that will be by the way; the main object ought to be the organising of the student world with a view to a much fuller conference, and the fixing of the date for such a Conference for the convenience of the great majority of students. If the delegates go up to Nagpur in the state of nervous tension which a sense of the finality of the December Conference is pretty certain to produce in many of them, the proceedings are more likely to end in a faction fight than in anything of use to the community at large. The students ought to have it in their minds that the present Conference is not of dire and desperate importance, but a friendly meeting for the ventilation and discussion of opinions, just to find out where they stand before proceeding further.

Notes of the Day.

"Recruiting for Mr. Gandhi."

Our readers will, no doubt, remember the story of the Sikh student, Mr. S. S. Grewal, who was forced to retire from the Veterinary College in Bombay within a fortnight of his final examination, because he had a photo of Mahatma Gandhi in his bedroom; and who afterwards set out as a beggar for the cause of National Education. We have just received a letter from him from Allahabad, in which he tells us that he has seen his father, of whose disapproval he was half-afraid. "He was much rejoiced to know that I had become Mahatma Gandhi's follower, and he proved it practically by putting Rs. 10 in my box." His father also gave him a letter for Mr. Gandhi, a copy of which he sends to us for publication. Here it is:—

Dear Mahatmaji,
I am pleased to know that my son S. S. Grewal has become your follower. May God give him strength to remain firm and may he continue to serve the

nation till death. I am really proud of him. May God crown you with success.

I am, Mahatmaji,

A poor old man,

S. C. GREWAL.

"Water-toast Sympathisers."

The California State Federation of Labour has, we learn, at its twenty-first annual Convention, held in Fresno, California, passed, with an expression of deep sympathy for the Indian people in their struggle for freedom, the following resolution:—

Whereas, the people of India are making valiant efforts to free their country from the tyrannical nation which is at present, and has for centuries, been oppressing that great nation; and
Whereas, India, like Ireland, has been reduced from a state of commercial prosperity to that of an impoverished and landless people of little industrial life and jealously isolated from the free nations of the earth; and
Whereas, it has ever been the principle of labour that every nation, especially one possessing such a glorious past as India, is eminently entitled to form and determine its own form of government; therefore, be it
Resolved, that we, the delegates accredited to the Twenty-first Annual Convention of the California State Federation of Labour, hereby express our deep sympathy with the people of India in their struggle for freedom and hope that they may soon attain their objective; and be it further
Resolved, that copies of this resolution be forwarded to the State Labour press for insertion and to the Hindustan Gadar Party, 5, Wood Street, San Francisco.

The trouble is that it would seem, from the above, that the California State Federation of Labour is under the impression that the Non-Cooperation of the Indian people is violent; and from other evidence we should judge that the said Federation's sympathy is not based on any knowledge of conditions in India and so can hardly be accounted valuable. We are reminded of the meeting of "The Water-toast Sympathisers", so feelingly described in Martin Chuzzlewit. The Water-toast Sympathisers were opposed to the British lion, and therefore sympathetic towards the woe of Ireland. But they were also water-drinkers. Their President had been extolling Dan O'Connell—at the time, leader of the Irish party—to the skies when a letter happened to be handed to him which contained the information that the said O'Connell was a whisky-drinker. At once the temper of the speaker and his audience changed, poor Dan O'Connell was denounced, and the Water-toast Sympathisers washed their hands of Ireland and decided to devote their funds and lungs to some other cause obnoxious to the British lion. We imagine that a similar change may come upon the California State Federation of Labour when someone, most unkindly, writes to tell them that Mr. Gandhi is an enemy to violence. Quite seriously we would warn our Indian readers against the peril of attaching much importance to American sympathy. Charles Dickens knew.

The Tiflis Newspapers.
The Armenian papers report (so Reuter tells us) that the Armenians have recaptured Kars and that the Kemalists losses are said to have been heavy owing to the wintry weather. We are also told that "the reports from Tiflis corroborate the accounts of the serious divergencies between the Turks and the Bolsheviks said to be due chiefly to the territorial claims of the former." The news may be quite true for aught we know to the contrary, but the source of information is distinctly suspect. The Armenian newspapers are not renowned for truth and Tiflis was before the war the centre of Armenian propaganda, i.e., lies. The present writer can remember an occasion when the Armenian newspapers of Tiflis published detailed and extremely lurid accounts of a massacre of Armenians which, the present writer is also in a position to affirm, never took place. The massacre had been in fact arranged by Russian agents with the knowledge and connivance of the Armenian Revolutionaries; but Mahmud Shevket Pasha, who had an excellent secret service in the Caucasus, happened to get wind of it, and telegraphed to the Wali of Bitlis in time, with the result that about two hundred Kurdish outlaws who had come from Russian in to Turkish territory for the purpose were rounded up before they had killed anyone. But the Armenian journalists in Tiflis, being unaware of this, published, as we have said, a full and detailed account of the massacre of their compatriots which should, according to their reckoning, have taken place. The damning evidence of these Tiflis newspapers was in Mahmud Shevket's hands, and he was going to make a public protest to all Europe, when he was assassinated.

The Turkish Alsace.
As for the report that the divergencies between the Turks and the Bolsheviks are "due chiefly to the former's territorial claims", we think that that is manifestly an Armenian statement. Considering that all that territory was admittedly Turkish until 1879, when it passed to Russia by the right of conquest only, against the will of the majority of the inhabitants; and that it

was reconquered by the Turks during the late war, we should say rather that the divergencies, if they exist, are due to the territorial claims of the Bolsheviks, who seek, if surreptitiously, to reassert their rights over non-Russian territories which were held by the late Czarism. The Turkish claim even to the territory which is at present called Armenia, is as good as that of the Turks themselves set up a free Armenian State there in the last year of the war. The said Armenian State has since been trying to extend its boundaries at the expense of neighbouring Muslim populations, and the Turks have naturally resented it. But it is not the Turkish claims against Armenia which would cause "divergencies", we imagine, without the greater question of Azerbaijan, of which the domination carries with it the chief influence in Northern Persia which is also peopled by a Turkish-speaking race. The Ottoman Turks do not claim Azerbaijan for themselves, but for the Turkish people of Azerbaijan, with whose free Republic the Bolsheviks have been interfering quite unjustifiably, if some reports which reach us are correct. The Bolsheviks themselves have given formal recognition to the Azerbaijan Republic, and we fail to see on what ground they can hold such interference justified.

Pay-day and Postmen.

In the crush of correspondence at this office a modest communication had escaped our notice till this minute. We hope that it is not too late to serve its purpose, which seems to us of sufficient importance to justify our giving to it the position of an editorial "Note".

Sir.—Will you give a corner of your paper to this letter, as the contents are of vital importance.

Two months have passed since the Bombay postmen have in despair gone on strike. Looking to their present way of living, any man will be moved to pay for the funds. Tomorrow is the beginning day of December and every one will leave the office with pockets full of money and will buy some new things for his children. Is it proper for us to buy things for the amusement of children, while our brothers, the postmen, are starving? And so I earnestly appeal to the hearts of all the clerks and other employees in big concerns to pay for the Relief Fund to Mr. Ginnala, Mr. Tairco or Mr. Baptista. Don't allow the postmen and Gas workers to die of starvation.—Yours, etc.,

N. S. K.

Bombay, Nov. 30.

Lord Ronaldshay's Humour.

The humorous of post-prandial speeches at the St. Andrews' dinner of Calcutta have been notorious ever since the days of Lord Dufferin, who described the proceedings of the then new Indian National Congress movement as the effusions of a "microscopic minority." But the national movement had come to stay and despite gibes and jeers, it has outlived all vituperative attacks by the bureaucrats and their henchmen, and has secured such a unique position in Indian politics, as will make Lord Dufferin turn in his grave. The latest attempt to belittle the national movement has been made by Lord Ronaldshay, the Governor of Bengal. Discussion of the political situation and exploration of the future line of policy by administrative heads have been the custom at St. Andrews' Day dinners and following the custom Lord Ronaldshay had a fling at Mr. Gandhi's Non-Cooperation movement which he sarcastically described as a sort of "Patent medicine" and asked a rather hilarious audience to "try a bottle of Non-Cooperation elixir" if they felt discontented with their lot. Then he went on to explain the psychology of the gullible public which accepts it as a principle of action. Speaking for his "subjects" he went on twisting and misrepresenting and stated that Bengal would not accept it. It of course remains to be seen, whether or not Bengal would take up the cause of Non-Cooperation. "In Mr. Gandhi's opinion," says his Lordship, "civilisation of the British type is an obvious evil." Undoubtedly so; even the best of English-thinkers have admitted that an alien western civilisation foisted on the Indian mind without due consideration of the chances of its assimilation, has been productive of very bad results and has given a most undesirable turn to the minds of an essentially religious people. However, Lord Ronaldshay is entitled to his opinion, but we wonder how many of the intelligentsia of Bengal, beyond the Government House circle, will appreciate the dry humour of his Lordship, which bespeaks a reckless superficiality characteristic of lobster-salad dinners. Always inclined to play the role of war-bag of his "subjects", his Excellency is addicted to self-apotheosis by an occasional expression of his dogmatic views which ignoramus no doubt accept as gospel. The Associated Press took particular care to telegraph that portion of Lord Ronaldshay's speech which dealt with Non-Cooperation.

MURDER OF OFFICERS IN IRELAND.

MOTOR LORRIES TRAPPED.

BRUTAL MURDER OF OCCUPANTS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The Black and Tans killed near Kilmichael included a Major and four Captains. They put up a gallant but unavailing struggle in a lonely mountainous district which lent itself to the work of assassination. It is believed that the portion of the road over which the lorries travelled had previously been broken up, so that when the vehicles were brought to a standstill in darkness by intense fire, the patrol which was completely surprised, experienced the severest handicaps. It seems that immediately the first lorry came within range it was subjected to a terrible rain of rifle and revolver bullets. The second lorry opened fire on the attackers, but with little effect judging from the unabated heavy firing. The ceaseless pouring in of bullets put the lorry's engines out of action. Then the occupants endeavoured to seek cover, but the firing continued to be most deadly. All the occupants of the first lorry were soon killed. The others continued to resist, but the marksmanship was too true. When the lorry's fire was silenced, the enemy crept up to the vehicles and began their ghastly work. The discovery of the dead was made by a search-party sent out when the lorries failed to reach their destination. The only cadet left alive is a prisoner in the hands of the Sinn Feiners.

SIR H. GREENWOOD GIVES PARTICULARS.

MR. ARCHER REDMOND'S REGRET.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

More particulars of the bloody slaughter of the Royal Irish Constabulary auxiliaries near Kilmichael were given by Sir Hamar Greenwood in the House of Commons last night. In the course of the Irish debate, Sir H. Greenwood said that the Liverpool outrages and the London attempt showed that the Sinn Fein murder gang was carrying on its senseless campaign of murder and arson in Great Britain, and it would be extended to persons of property here unless the country was thoroughly roused. (Cheers.) Sir H. Greenwood proceeded to read the telegrams regarding the Kilmichael ambush, which consisted of about eighty to hundred men all dressed in khaki with steel trench helmets. They fired from both sides of the road and they also had direct frontal fire straight down the road. By force of arms some of the victims were disarmed and brutally murdered. Their bodies were rifled and all their money and valuables taken. The clothing was robbed from the corpses. Sir H. Greenwood said that he did not think that with fifteen ex-officers in the last war thus lying dead, the House would wish to continue the discussion in the face of the challenge to the authority of the House and to civilisation.

Mr. Archer Redmond said that no-one in the House could accuse him and those with whom he was associated of feeling anything but the deepest and most profound regret for the type of outrage just related.

THE KILMICHAEL MASSACRE

VICTIMS NOT BLACK AND TANS.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

It now transpires that the victims of the Kilmichael tragedy were not the Black and Tans but officers of the auxiliary division, stationed at Mooroom Castle. They were all ex-officers selected for their meritorious services in the field during the war. The Castle has been a sort of island in a Sinn Fein sea. The scene was an ideal spot for an ambush, one side of the road hanging over the cliff and the other side being thickly wooded. The tragedy took place just where the road takes a sharp right-angle turn. The massacre has again brought into prominence the question of sending out parties in these cars absolutely unprotected. The auxiliaries are perched on high seats and are crowded together with no elbow room and without an inch of cover. They thus present human targets that a child could not miss. A military funeral for the victims in London has been offered to the relatives.

ENQUIRY INTO REPRISALS.

LABOUR COMMISSION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The Labour Commission of Enquiry into the reprisals in Ireland left London for Dublin this morning. The Commission includes Mr. Arthur Henderson and Mr.

Adamson, with Brigadier-General C. B. Thompson as Military Adviser.

ARRESTED IRISH REPUBLICANS.

TO BE TREATED AS PRISONERS OF WAR.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the House of Commons Sir Hamar Greenwood said it was intended to intern the persons who there was reason to believe were connected with the Irish Republican Army. They would be treated in a similar fashion to prisoners of war, but that did not involve their recognition as prisoners nor grant them that status.

FURTHER ARRESTS.

"EFFICIENCY OF ROUND UPS"!

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 7-30 p.m., Dec. 2.

On the arrival of the Aquitania at Southampton from New York, six suspected Sinn Feiners were arrested, possessing arms and ammunition.

Professor MacNeill, who was arrested on November 26, has been released. Mr. Arthur Griffith remains in the Mountjoy Gaol. Altogether 400 persons have been arrested in Dublin during the past ten days, including the manager and two of the staff of the newspaper "Young Ireland." The efficiency of the roundups is evidenced by the numbers of rifles, revolvers and bombs and the amount of ammunition found lying in the streets of Dublin, which the owners have discarded, fearing they would be found in their possession.

The Sinn Fein Hall in Limerick was burned, yesterday evening.

Four incendiary fires occurred in Cork, yesterday evening. The City Hall was set on fire by bombs thrown through windows, but the fire was speedily checked. The Police, today, searched the offices of the Irish Self Determination League in London and four other houses, and removed all documents and money.

CABINET MINISTERS' BODY-GUARD.

NEWSPAPER OFFICES BURNED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The precautions taken in London against Sinn Feiners include a special guard of secret service men for every Cabinet Minister.

A mysterious party of armed and masked men, last night, set fire to the "Freeman's Journal" office in Dublin. They had previously entered the offices of the Unionist paper, the "Irish Times", and held up the editorial staff with revolvers and extracted a promise that nothing would be divulged.

LONDON SPECIAL POLICE TO BE READY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The special police in London have been warned to hold themselves in readiness for service in case of the continuance of Sinn Fein outrages in England.

IRISH M. P. ARRESTED.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

Amongst those arrested in Dublin yesterday was Mr. William Sears, the Member of Parliament for South Mayo.

NUMBER EIGHTY-SEVEN REMANDED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The mysterious Sinn Fein described as Number Eighty-seven, was yesterday remanded in Liverpool on a charge of murdering Daniel Ward, who detected the incendiaries.

BOMB EXPLOSION NEAR LONDON BRIDGE.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

A bomb explosion took place on the premises of a skin-merchant at Old Swan Lane, near London Bridge, at 12-57 this morning. The bomb apparently was left on the premises in a portmanteau with the time-fuse set. The explosion was the more alarming for what it portended than for the actual damage done which only amounted to the wrecking of a basement warehouse packed with skins. There was no loss of life because there are no dwelling-houses in the neighbourhood. The authorities are not prepared to state that the outrage was the work of Sinn Feiners but they are convinced it was caused by bomb similar to those used in Liverpool.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

ITALIAN PROPOSAL ADOPTED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

Geneva.—The assembly of the League of Nations has adopted a proposal by Ferraris (Italy) that the assembly should meet every year on the first Monday of September at the seat of the League, either at Geneva or (exceptionally at any other place selected by the Council).

MR. CHURCHILL'S STATEMENT

DISTRIBUTION OF BRITISH ARMY.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the House of Commons, replying to Commander Locker-Lampson, Mr. Churchill stated that the British Army was distributed approximately as follows.—

Home	153,000
(Including nearly 50,000 in Ireland.)	
The Rhine	13,000
Egypt, Palestine, Black Sea, Mesopotamia, and North-West Persia	43,500
Colonies	9,500
France and Flanders	3,500
India and Aden	64,000
Miscellaneous	7,500
Total	295,000

THE BENGAL IRON COMPANY

NEW COMPANY TO BE REGISTERED

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Bengal Iron Company is being held on December 7th to consider the formation of a new company to be registered in India for the purpose of taking over the assets and liabilities of the existing company. The Board of the new company which will have an authorised capital of 450 lakhs, will be domiciled in Calcutta.

COAL EXPORT TRADE.

SOME RESTRICTIONS WITHDRAWN

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

The Board of Trade has issued an order freeing the coal export trade from all restrictions with regard to prices and conditions of sale, but the quality and description of the coal which may be exported or supplied for foreign bunkering remains subject to the existing restrictions.

SIR DORAB TATA'S GENEROUS GIFT

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

Sir Dorab Tata has given a thousand sterling to the fund for the medical education of women in the Royal Free Hospital.

DEATH OF SIR DONALD JOHNSTONE

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

The death is announced of Sir Donald Johnstone.

[The late Sir Donald Johnstone was the Chief Judge of the Chief Court in the Punjab, since 1915. He was born on February 23rd, 1857, and after being educated at the Edinburgh Academy, entered the I.C.S. in 1877.]

A NEW ADMIRAL

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

Sir Cecil Burney has been promoted Admiral of the Fleet, vice Admiral Callaghan, deceased.

C. P. NOMINATIONS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

NAGPUR, Dec. 2.

The scrutiny of the Council of State elections of the Central Provinces constituency took place yesterday. Out of 512 voters from the C. P. only 153 recorded their votes. Mr. M. B. Dadabhaiy obtained 103, Mr. Bechar Raghunath Singh 34 and Sheoprasad 16. Mr. M. B. Dadabhaiy was duly declared elected.

From the Berar constituency for the Council of State Mr. G. S. Khaparde was elected by the majority. Messrs. C. R. Das, N. C. Kekar and Gangadhar Rao Deshpande arrived here yesterday, probably with a view to discuss with the local leaders the future programme of Non-Cooperation and policy of Congress. The All-India Medical Conference will commence its deliberations on the 25th instant at Nagpur. Medical men desirous of taking part in the proceedings should communicate data of arrival before the

GOLD AND SILVER EXPORT BILL.

REJECTION MOVED.

BILL PASSES SECOND READING

(REUTER'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 12-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the House of Commons Mr. Samuel moved the rejection of the Gold and Silver Export Bill on the ground that the freedom to export silver to the east was essential for our great interests there. He said that the Government had encouraged the formation in Britain of a syndicate to have the sole right of financing the Chinese Government. The British syndicate had formed a syndicate in China composed of Chinese merchants. If the Bill were passed the Government would be supporting a Chinese financial group thus eliminating the whole of the British merchants in China. The latter would be unable to carry out any large contracts with China. He believed that negotiations were going on with the syndicate, America, Japan and China. He asked whether an arrangement had been made with the Governments of those countries to prohibit the export of silver from them to China except through the Chinese syndicate. The consequence would be that unless these countries took the same steps as the British Government were taking, we should be asking the Chinese to pass their orders to our competitors instead of to our selves. The British Government's inclusion of silver in this Bill was handicapping British merchants in all parts of the world especially in the Far East and China.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin declared that the leading bankers had been consulted and had approved the measure.

NEED FOR AMENDMENT.

Sir Newton Moore said that the Bill would discourage the importation of gold. He suggested that the Bill should be amended to allow imported gold to be exported on license, otherwise there would be no encouragement to bring gold here. Australia was sending gold direct to India, China, and other places. South Africa was sending hers to America.

Mr. Stanley Baldwin replying, said that the criticism of the Bill had been perfectly fair and reasonable. The reasons why the Government adhered to the terms of the Bill were that it conferred a permanent dormant power which was considered an essential part of the financial armoury of the country. Hence the Government were anxious, and the bankers as trustees for the gold supply of the country were anxious, to see this made a part of the permanent financial equipment of the country. The Government desired as much as anyone to see London again the free market for which it had been renowned for so many years. Anyone who wished to introduce a temporary bill would be immediately faced with the difficulty of a suitable time limit. It was forgotten that the powers under which the prohibition of export existed would end with the ratification of the last Peace Treaty. He declared that there was not the slightest risk or objection to the Bill proving valid. He was glad that there was a consensus of opinion that at present the gold export restrictions must be maintained, but he was not surprised at the comments regarding the silver prohibition which were entirely different. He was hopeful that it would not be necessary to frame a regulation against the export of bullion. Sir S. Baldwin pointed out that the position of the silver coinage to-day was different. There might be imminent risk with regard to it when a new coinage of different fineness was being introduced into this country. Unrestricted export might lead to temporary drainage of more valuable coins and might conceivably leave us with a dangerous shortage of silver coinage. He was hopeful from the outlook to-day that it might not be necessary to put into effect the powers of the Bill.

Replying, Sir Newton Moore said that it was common knowledge that an arrangement had been in force some time by which gold from South Africa was imported into Britain to be refined and reexported. It was done under a special system of licences. This had been perfectly satisfactory to the South African Government. Sir S. Baldwin gave assurance that he would suggest a clause during the committee stage giving statutory effect to this. The Bill thereupon passed the second reading.

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 9-30 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the House of Commons last night the Gold and Silver Export Bill passed its second reading.

DESTROYED GERMAN DIRIGIBLES.

GERMAN GOVT. REFUSES COMPENSATION.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.
Reed. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

Berlin.—The German Government has replied to the Allies' demand for compensation for the German dirigibles destroyed in July 1919, either with money or new construction, that the Government cannot recognise any obligation to pay compensation. The German Government suggests that if the Allies do not agree with this standpoint then the matter might be submitted to an Arbitration Court.

THE POSTAL MUDDLE.

PUBLIC'S DOUBLE DUTY.

APPLY NON-CO-OPERATION TEST.

WITHDRAW MONEY FROM SAVINGS BANKS.

The Postal authorities are still marching merrily under their "Smooth arrangements"! We are told that owing to the "Smoothness" of their arrangements personalities like the Hon. Sir Norman Macleod had once to call at the Post Office for his mail!

Mr. Ginnwala's registered letter containing the cheque for Rs. 923, the delay in the delivery of which was "receiving the careful attention" of the presidency Post Master so long, was delivered at his office yesterday, after about a month.

By this time the public has come to know, through the columns of this paper, the strange ways and methods of the postal bureaucracy in dealing with the situation. We publish below, among other letters, one suggesting non-co-operation by the public with the Postal Authorities by withdrawing money from the Postal Savings Bank. We do not think that there is anything illegal or unconstitutional in it and we trust the public will rise as one man to make the Postal Department realise its duty to the Indian people.

A DOUBLE DUTY.

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—A special contributor in your columns points out that Mr. Baptista's scheme contravenes Section 4 of the Post Office Act. It is really too much to presume Mr. Baptista did not know the section. Mr. Baptista will see to it if the Government dare touch him for giving to the people what the State is in duty bound to give them and has been criminally failing in giving. The British Government in India was never self-Government, but always boasted of being a good Government. Whatever its claims to that title hitherto, it has been fast forfeiting them in the regime of the present Viceroy. The present postal strike in Bombay is one of the indications of such a forfeiture. None but Lord Chelmsford could have so coldly watched the city relapsing onto a mediæval plight merely because a few tin gods wish it. What a distress it is to the million residents of Bombay and their ten million friends, relatives, agents and other dealers! But Lord Chelmsford can sleep soundly! His Lordship is the arch-prophet of Non-Cooperation. In such a case I have a suggestion to make which people should promptly and organisedly adopt. It is only a behest of the National Congress, and is a double duty. It is a duty against the callous Postal Department and a duty as in obedience of the National Congress and, as such, a double duty. All those who have invested their savings in the Post Office Savings Bank should forthwith withdraw them. The residents of Bombay can very easily and quickly act up to this suggestion because they have the knowledge and advantage of other bodies with whom they can quite advantageously invest their savings.—Yours, etc.,

P. B. LELE.

POSTAL "REGULARITY."

(TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")

Sir,—The Postal authorities declare that they have successfully made satisfactory arrangements for postal delivery, but letters from Ahmedabad are not delivered till three days after. It is very essential to stamp all letters with date of delivery which only can prove whether delivery is made satisfactorily. When are the Postal authorities going to re-introduce this system?—Yours, etc.,

DAHYABHAI H. SHAH.

Bombay, Nov. 22.

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TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—I enclose herewith a postal envelope which will show that it was registered on the 25th September, 1920, to my local address, by the Bank of India, Ltd., Bombay, and it reached me only this noon, i.e., two months and five days after the due date. One is at a loss to know when things will be restored to their normal state!—Yours, etc.,

M. K. DESAI.

Bombay No. 2, Dec. 1.

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TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—The enclosed letter is self-explanatory regarding the payment we have to receive from the Dholpur State. To-day we have sent a copy of this letter to the Presidency Postmaster and asked him if he is going to continue the same arrangements indefinitely. If you think desirable, the letter may be published in your paper. We have also some other letters similar to this, complaining about the postal matters.—Yours, etc.,

THE UNITED ENGINEERING CO.
Fort, Bombay, Nov. 29.
(ENCLOSURE.)
No. 324 of 1920.

From Captain Sardar Taracharan,
Private Secretary to
H. H. The Maharaj Rana of Dholpur.

To The United Engineering Co., Bombay.

Dated Dholpur, the 23rd November, 1920.

In reply to your letter, dated the 3rd and 15th instant, respectively, appealing for an early remittance of your bill amounting to Rs. 602/8, I write to inform you that your cheque for the above sum is kept here in the Office, insured in a cover sealed up since a month or so and may the it was five or six times sent to the Post Office, but was refused to accept on account of the postal strike.

It will be sent as soon as the Post Office accepts it.

Yours faithfully,
Taracharan, Capt.
Private Secretary.

19th instant.

POSTAL NON-CO-OPERATION!

TO THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—A letter posted at Dwaraka on the 18th November has just been delivered to me! I am enclosing the letter and the envelope for your satisfaction. The Postal strike has continued for ten weeks! The authorities appear to be obdurate!

(1) Bombay Citizens have sent a Protest to the Government.

(2) Indian Merchants' Chamber and Bureau has petitioned to the Government of India.

(3) Bombay Piece Goods Merchants' Association has appealed to the Viceroy.

(4) The Trades Union Congress Deputation has appealed to the Governor of Bombay to intervene.

And yet, the response is nil! That is the way in which the bureaucracy responds to the wishes of the people! That is the bureaucratic view of co-operation! Even a staunch moderate and co-operationist like Mr. Natrajan has publicly supported the claims of the poor postmen.

Will the Co-operationists kindly show us the way how to move this stubborn bureaucracy?

Public meetings have been held. Petitions have been sent. Appeals have been made. But all to no purpose! What next, Mr. Co-operationist? Yours, etc.,

BARJORJI FRAMJI BHARUCHA.

December, 2.

THE GAS STRIKE.

MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER'S AMAZING STATEMENT.

The Municipal Commissioner's statement regarding the street-lighting, at the meeting of the Standing Committee on Wednesday that "every day things were getting more and more normal," seems to be extraordinarily amazing as in reality things are getting worse day by day. The Gas Company's mercenaries are no doubt trying to light more lamps but unfortunately they can not keep them burning even for two hours and those which survive cannot at all light the streets. On Wednesday night all lights on the Western part of Falkland Road from the junction of Forbes Road to Tardoo Bridge went out immediately after they were lit. All other localities also were in semi-darkness.

ALL-INDIA LEAGUE

DR. ANSARI ELECTED PRESIDENT.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

DELHI, Dec. 2.

Dr. Ansari has been elected President of the next sessions of the All-India Muslim League to be held at Nagpur. The following telegrams have been exchanged on the subject:—

To Dr. Ansari, Daryaganj, Delhi. The League Council at the meeting of the first December elected you President of the forthcoming session at Nagpur. Please wire acceptance. (Sd.) Zahurrahmed, Secretary.

To Zahurrahmed, Secretary, Muslim League, Lucknow. Presidentship annual session of the Muslim League is the highest honour conferred on any person by the Muslim Community. My election by the Council in appreciation of my humble services has touched me greatly. Accept the responsible position as giving me further occasion for serving my faith and country. (Sd.) Ansari.

LUCKNOW ELECTIONS.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

LUCKNOW, Dec. 1.

The election for the local legislative council came off yesterday. In the non-Mahomedan rural constituency of Lucknow Pandit Gokarn Nath Mishra and Sardar Nihal Singh and the polling was very heavy. Out of nearly 16,000 voters about 3,000 actually voted, a percentage of over sixty per cent. At several polling stations many voters went away disappointed without their votes having been recorded, some of the presiding officers having been unable to record votes within the prescribed time.

IS RACING REFINED GAMBLING?

QUESTION OF MAHALAXMI RACE COURSE.

DISCUSSION IN CORPORATION.

A meeting of the Municipal Corporation was held yesterday, Mr. V. A. Dabholkar presiding when the copy of a memorial to the members of the Bombay Legislative Council made by some landlords in the city for the removal of the Rent Act was recorded. The question of the removal of the Mahalaxmi Race course to places outside the city limits was considered at great length. Some of the members suggested that the vicinity of the race course was a great temptation to the poor who flocked there in thousands and squandered away their hard earned wages. It was stated that in course of time when the Grant Road Terminal was built, Mahalaxmi would be in the very heart of the city and the land occupied by the Race Course would be one of the finest sites for housing all classes. Before coming to any final decision in the matter the debate was adjourned to Monday next.

The Corporation then considered a letter from Mr. Ruttonjee Kanji and others forwarding, for being placed before the Corporation, copy of a memorial to the members of the Bombay Legislative Council in which they state that the Rent Act has inflicted great hardship on owners of houses constructed before the year 1916 and that although the Act was primarily meant for the benefit of the poor, its advantage is taken of by the well-to-do classes; that although the carpenters and bricklayers have to be given 200 per cent. more since the war, the landlords have to pay 10 times more for all other commodities, still they are tied down by the Rent Act so far as the levying of rents is concerned; that all the landlords are not rich people and that they have to undergo many charges as well as to pay taxes and that therefore it is but proper that this one-sided Act should at once be done away with or that if it is proposed to continue it for a year or so longer the landlords should be allowed to levy 100 per cent. over the old rents and add that the Rent Act should be amended by Government at the earliest opportunity.

Dr. Sukhia moved that the letter be recorded. He said the Legislative Council must be considering the question and they could not do anything in the matter now.

Mr. N. M. Dumas seconded and the motion was agreed to.

MAHALAXMI RACE COURSE.

The Corporation then resumed discussion of the resolution, regarding the Race Course at Mahalaxmi. It was

That the Corporation are of opinion that a substantial portion of the large number of tenements which Government propose to construct in this city, to remove scarcity of housing accommodation, should be erected on the Race Course ground at Mahalaxmi. (2) That the President be requested to communicate the above opinion to Government with a request that they will be pleased to make the necessary arrangements for securing the Race Course ground for the purpose as mentioned above, a Race Course being provided, if necessary, outside the city.

"WHAT'S IN A NAME?"

This was moved by Mr. M. A. Haveliwala and Dr. Master seconded saying it was most important question. Thousands of people were sleeping in the streets for want of housing accommodation, and in these circumstances amusements must be a secondary question to them. Government was demolishing houses at Grant Road because the land was required for a station, and if the race course was used for building purposes there could not be any breach of contract, as the land was required for public purposes. He thought people who wanted to attend races could very well afford to go to places outside the city if the race-course were removed there, and it would be no breach of contract under any circumstances.

Racing was only a refined name for gambling; when poor people gambled in the streets they were arrested, but here they "betted." Thousands of poor people attended races and squandered away their hard-earned money. This vice had so much spread among the people that it was high time that the means of their impoverishment were removed from their midst. While there was a large area unutilized it was not proper that people should sleep in the streets for want of accommodation.

THE COMMISSIONER'S APOLOGY.

The Municipal Commissioner said the point of very great importance was this. The resolution had been moved by Mr. Haveliwala, but he did not know that the Corporation had no control over the race course. The ground on which the race course stood was leased to the Western India Turf Club, not by the Corporation, but by the Improvement Trust, under a binding lease of 30 years which would expire in 1944. The agreement the Corporation had entered into did not refer to the ground occupied by the Race course. It referred only to the area to the western side of the drain and the Volland, that portion which was now being reclaimed. The Corporation had leased to the Turf Club one or two small areas in the neighbourhood of Clarke Road, and also two little pieces of land near by and they had reclaimed those areas by means of high embankments. The rest of the ground they were bound to reclaim under their contract with the Improvement Trust. The Turf Club held their ground not from the Corporation, but from the Trust under a 30 years' lease, and their agreement with the Corporation only covered small pieces of land. The Corporation had no taste for racing

and very rarely went to the races, but the idea that the time had now come when they should start building on the race-course was absolutely absurd. Had they built on the land which was already available? Near the storm water reservoir there was ample ground which had not yet been built upon at Worlee there was lot of ground which could be built upon; near the Haines Road also there was large area suitable for reclamation even more than the race course. The Corporation could not build upon the race course and why should they take it when it gave pleasure to somebody, and when there was ample area in the vicinity, which only required to receive the same treatment to be fit for building purposes?

ONE OF THE FINEST SITES.

The Hon. Mr. R. C. Sethna said the main point of the Commissioner was that the Turf Club had an agreement with the Improvement Trust and that the Corporation could not build upon the land now. The question was whether the Race Course should be in the city. Thirty years ago Mahalaxmi was a dangerous place, not frequented by people, but now things had changed. Now they had houses round about the race course even, and in about 5 to 10 years they would have the place studded with houses all round. In no city was there a race course. In the heart of the city itself. Everything pointed to the fact that Mahalaxmi would be in the heart of the city as went on. The proposition under discussion was not a day later whether they ought not to move Government to remove the race course away. He contended that the time had arrived when the race course should go outside the city limits. He did not entirely agree with the resolution of Mr. Haveliwala, who wanted the whole area to be utilised for single room tenements. The land utilised by the Turf Club was some of the finest land in the city. At the same time he quite recognised that Mahalaxmi was the labour centre, and if houses were built there they would be occupied by the labourers. But the land could be utilised for many other purposes. They could have a fine part and they could have many fine residential houses near it for the rich and the middle classes; and still there could be room enough for housing the poor. When the Grant Road Terminal would be ready, Mahalaxmi would be in the heart of the city. He moved an amendment: That the President be requested to inform the Government that the Corporation are of opinion that the Race Course be removed from Mahalaxmi to outside the city limits and that they arrange through public bodies concerned so that the area at present occupied by the race course be utilised for a park and for residential purposes including tenements for the poorer classes.

Continuing said Mr. Sethna the race course should be outside the city limits, as he had a greater Bombay in view. Whether in Paris or London the race courses were very far away from the living centre. He wanted a very large area to be reserved for a park.

Dr. Jehangir Cursetji seconded.

IN THE INTEREST OF TURF CLUB.

Mr. E. G. Turner, the chairman of the Improvement Trust, said he sympathised with Mr. Sethna's motion. It might be that the intended movement of the race course outside the city was not necessary, as the Commissioner had told them, there were large schemes put into execution, which would afford large areas. But there were reasons why it should be removed, because with the removal of the race course would go a large number of racing stables, and that would mean that a number of unsuitable stables would be removed from Byculla. If it was decided to remove the race course, it need not go in a night, for the proposal would have to be sanctioned by Government. Another reason was that, he was sure in the interests of the Turf Club itself, it was best to arrange for an early removal. They knew that prices of land were going up every day and now that the development scheme was to be taken up by the Board, it was most likely that the major portion of the land at Salsette would be more valuable from year to year. Therefore, if the Turf Club was obliged to go, it was in the interests of the Turf Club itself to go very early, for, later on, they would find the land very valuable. At any rate he did not think any harm would be done by passing the resolution. Whether the Government would do so or not was another matter. At any rate it was an expression of their opinion and would set matters rolling.

Mr. N. M. Joshi sympathised with the original resolution. If the property belonged to the Trust, and it was suitable for their purposes, it was for the Government to take it up. He agreed with the view that the whole land could not be taken up for one room tenements, but not on the ground that it was the finest site. Why should the finest site be reserved for the rich people? Besides, he did not want one-room tenements to be placed in one part of the city, because then it would create locations and he did not like locations to be created in East Africa, and certainly poor people had a right to live on good sites!

Dr. Sukhia agreed with the proposition because it was the duty of the Corporation to supply housing accommodation, whether it was for the rich or poor people. He objected to the race course being in the city, as thousands of poor people had been ruined, and those who hissed him for saying that did not know anything about the poor in the city. Most of those rich people had inherited their money from their ancestors and so they could not realise the hardships of the poor.

Further debate on the proposition was then adjourned to Monday next.

FIRE IN A STEAMER

(REUTERS'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 9.30 a.m., Dec. 2.

Port Said.—The British steamer, Hollinside, from Basra has arrived with fire in No. 2 hold. The cargo of rice will be shifted.

THE DRAIN!

EXPORT OF RICE AND WHEAT.

BOMBAY CHAMBER DESIRES MORE LATITUDE.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

The Committee of the Bombay Chamber of Commerce on the 21st October, 1920, addressed the departments of Commerce, Finance and Agriculture of the Government of India in connection with the present position of the export trade of the country and its relation to the exchange problem. The committee especially urged the necessity for an explicit and definite official statement regarding the wheat and rice position as to whether the balance of 1919-20 crop is likely to be such an amount as will permit further exports beyond the quantity already notified. They also desired the removal of restrictions upon the export of such commodities as were under control. In reply to the above, the Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture, states:—

(1) That definite arrangements have been made for the purchase and shipment on Government account of the 400,000 tons of wheat which, as announced in a Press communique, dated the 30th September, have been released for export to any destination, other than countries in the Indian Ocean, from the Port of Karachi up to the end of March next. The firms are working as the direct agents of Government for a fixed commission, on terms agreed upon between them and the Government of India, the profits accruing from the business being credited to Government for the benefit of the Indian taxpayer. These firms commenced purchases on the 16th October, and have bought 83,562 tons up to date. Sales of wheat to foreign countries are being conducted by an Advisory Committee in London consisting of a representative of each of the agent firms with Mr. D. T. Chadwick, I.C.S., Indian Trade Commissioner, as Chairman. Sales advised up to the present amount to 79,600 tons. The Government of India are unable to express any opinion as to whether the total amount of 400,000 tons released for export will be secured within the fixed price limit, which will, on no account, be increased, but they are satisfied that the arrangements made for purchase, provided sellers are forthcoming, are adequate.

CROP FOR EXPORT.

The total estimated yield of the 1919-20 crop is 10,092,000 tons, while during the ten years ending with 1917-18 11 per cent. of the total yield was on an average exported to foreign countries. On this basis the exportable surplus of the last crop would amount to 1,110,000 tons. Statistics also show that by far the larger proportion of exports in normal times, amounting on an average to 63 per cent. of the total exportable surplus, takes place between the months of April and September, but owing to the strict embargo which was in force up to the end of September last, it has been assumed that this percentage, instead of finding the usual outlet provided by exports, has gone into consumption or into stocks. The Government of India have, therefore, considered it unsafe to assume that a larger proportion than 400,000 tons of the present year's crop is available for export during the last six months of the current financial year and this estimate was corroborated, after local enquiries, by the Government of the Punjab from which Province it is anticipated that the quantity sanctioned for export will be mainly or wholly drawn. It has been decided that further exports from the 1919-20 crop will be permitted in excess of the quantity already notified. The Government of India think it inadvisable to issue any further communication on the subject of these exports.

(2) The Government of India have at present under consideration the question of the policy to be adopted in regard to the exports of rice from India and Burma during 1921 and hope to be in a position shortly to make a public announcement on this subject.

(3) The Government of India are fully alive to the importance of removing as soon as possible all restrictions on the export trade. As the Bombay Chamber are no doubt aware, the number of articles, the export of which was subject to restriction during the war had been reduced by the end of 1918 from over 300 to 62. Control is now only exercised in respect of thirteen articles, viz. Russian rouble notes, Quinine and Cinchona bark, Coal and certain foodstuffs. The Government of India do not consider that the time has yet arrived when all control over export of foodstuffs can be abolished. The general foodstuffs position in India, though it showed earlier in the year distinct signs of improvement has been affected by the failure of the September rains in the northern, central and western parts of the country, while the continued shortage of the world's stocks of food would, if restrictions were removed, undoubtedly lead to a drain on India's resources with a consequent increase in internal prices and hardship to Indian consumers. Government are, however, carefully watching the position and though they think it necessary to adhere for the present to the system of rationing foreign countries dependent on India for supplies of such controlled articles as gram, barley, maize, bajra, jowar, lentils and pulse, they intend to abolish all restrictions as soon as circumstances permit.

(4) Finally, the Government of India note with interest the Bombay Chamber's opinion that a resumption of the sales of Reverse Councils will serve no practical purpose unless supported by a revival in the export trade.

MR. MONTAGU ON "MESOPOTAMIA."

WHY A LARGE ARMY IS MAINTAINED

AIM OF FORMING PERMANENT ARAB GOVERNMENT.

(REUTERS'S SPECIAL SERVICE.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 11.45 p.m., Dec. 2.

Addressing the Constitutional Club on "Mesopotamia" Mr. Montagu denounced the present system of control of civil administration in Mesopotamia by the India Office and control of the policy by the Inter-Departmental Committee. He looked forward most earnestly to that day when one Department of the State would be responsible to Parliament for everything in Mesopotamia.

Replying to criticisms that Army in Mesopotamia was too large Mr. Montagu said that it was large not because it was holding down the Arabs who liked and trusted the present administration but *inter alia* because a part of it was detailed for operations in Persia. Until our work of forming a permanent Arab Government was completed, he would rather do anything than scuttle from Mesopotamia but he would rather go than see the example of the Turks which had brought country to ruin.

Mr. Montagu paid tribute to the work of Lt.-Col. Arnold Wilson and his officers and declared that when the Arab Government had been firmly established and peace and prosperity reigned in Mesopotamia the record of the civil administration during the period of the army of occupation and prior to the signing of the Turkish Treaty would remain one of which we should have reason to be most proud and grateful.

EXPENDITURE ON MESOPOTAMIA.

SAVING ON ORIGINAL ESTIMATE.

(REUTERS'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 9.30 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the House of Commons, replying to Mr. William Shaw, Mr. Churchill stated that in the original estimates of the current year's financial expenditure on Mesopotamia the rupee was taken at two and six pence. It was now being taken at two shillings. The average fall throughout the year represented a saving of approximately £3,500,000 on original estimate, of which £2,750,000 related to Mesopotamia but other increase far outweighed this saving.

BANTAM-WEIGHT BOXING CHAMPIONSHIP.

JIMMY HIGGINS BEATS BILLY EYNON

(REUTERS'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 11 a.m., Dec. 2.

In the twenty-round contest at the National Sporting Club last night for the Bantam-Weight Championship of Britain, Jimmy Higgins (Scotland) the Holder, beat Billy Eynon (Wales) on points.

A FAIR FIGHT.

(REUTERS'S TELEGRAM.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 12.30 a.m., Dec. 2.

The fight for the Bantamweight Championship last night at the National Sporting Club was fast and clean and fairly even throughout. Higgins in the earlier rounds relied almost entirely on left-hand scoring jabs and hooks while Eynon sent in good straight lefts and right swings. After the tenth round Higgins' right was frequently dangerous but Eynon was sound in defence and fought well to the end.

CALCUTTA SHARE MARKET.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS.)

CALCUTTA, Dec. 2.

The market for jute shares ruled quiet but steady, supported mostly by inside speculation. Coal shares were practically neglected. In the miscellaneous section only a small turnover was reported with Central Provinces Cement rather easier and a continued demand for Hume Pipes. Following were closing quotations:—

Coal:—Bengal Giridih 24, Burrakur (pref) 93, Ghushick 25.

Jute:—Albion 487-8, Belvedere 538, Budget Budget 625 s.l., Dalhousie 595, Empire 81-4, Gouperore 1400, Howrah 49-12, Kamarhaty 1044, Kankandara 435, Naitahi 600, Orient 165, Standard 704, Union 925.

Miscellaneous:—Allahabad Bank 300, Agra United Mills 2 discount, Arrah Sasaram Railway 65, Bengal Bridge and Bolts 9-4, Bengal Paper 908, British Burma Petroleum 15.14, British India Corporation 10-12, Burma Finance and Mining 9-4, Buxtiarpur Bihar Light Railway 65, Calcutta Port Trust 4 per cent. 107, (Deb) 56-4, Central Provinces Cement 9, Hatikool Oil 11.4, Dunbar Cotton 482, Indian Iron and Steel (new) 13 discount, Kesom Cotton 15-8, Marshall and Sons 8-12, Madana Theatre 11, Pioneer Sugar 12, Somastipore Sugar 17-12.

Government paper three and a half per cent was quoted at Rs. 51-4.

Exchange:—Telegraphic Transfer one shilling five three fourth pence and Demand Bills one shilling five seven-eighth pence.

POOR PRESIDENT WILSON!

STILL BELIEVES IN HIS "MORAL INFLUENCE."

TO ACT AS MEDIATOR FOR ARMENIA.

(REUTERS'S TELEGRAMS.)

LONDON, Nov. 30.

Recd. 7.30 p.m., Dec. 2.

Washington.—President Wilson has accepted the invitation of the League of Nations to act as a mediator regarding the Armenian situation. Mr. Wilson makes it clear that he can only use moral influence, as he lacks authority to employ force without consent of Congress.

NEW ENGLISH SCHOOL.

APPEAL FOR DONATIONS.

Mr. T. A. Kulkarni, chairman of the Gokhale Education Society, sends the following appeal for donations in aid of the building fund of the Society.

The Building Fund of the New English School of the Gokhale Education Society has reached the total of Rs. 29,587-10-0. The estimated cost of the Building, which will accommodate 600 boys comes to Rs. 1,25,000. The Building Plans submitted to the Municipality have already been passed; but we cannot commence the actual construction of the building until we have at least Rs. 50,000 in our hands. We request the public to realise that we have a very short period at our disposal and that we shall be put in a very critical situation if we are not able to show some solid progress in the work of construction. This School does not receive any Municipal or Government Aid and is solely dependent upon the support of the public. The School has made a distinct mark in the educational activities of this city.

We therefore appeal to the generous and sympathetic people of Bombay to take into consideration all these circumstances and to help us in such a way as to enable us to raise the required sum within a very short time. We offer our hearty thanks to all those who have contributed to the N. E. School Building Fund.

The following is the list of Donations.

Sums previously acknowledged Rs. 21,347, Messrs. Currimbhoy, Ibrahim and Sons Rs. 1,000, Mr. Vallabhdas Meghji (deceased) by his executor Smt. Govardandas Thakkersey Rs. 1,000, Messrs. Hussainbhai and Jafferbhoy Lalji Rs. 500, in memory of the late Bai Dhalakshi Sitaram Sukthankar Rs. 350, The Young Amateurs' Union Rs. 253-10-9, Messrs. Nanabhai Luxman and Brother Rs. 251, Mr. D. S. Divadkar Rs. 151, Messrs. Shalabhoj Tyebji and Sons Rs. 151, Alliance Stores and Trading Co. Rs. 150, Rao Sahab Manaji Ravji Rs. 150, Mr. S. I. Sakadwala Rs. 101, Mr. Tribhuvan Das Pragji Rs. 101, Messrs. Hansraj and Tulshidas Rs. 101, Mr. P. Rattonshaw Rs. 101, Mr. Harjivan Valji Rs. 101, Dr. T. M. Kajiji, Bar-at-Law Rs. 101, B. P. Ghandi and Co. Accountants Rs. 101, Messrs. Krishnaji Chinnoo and Sons Rs. 101, Mr. Mukund Moroba Khandke Rs. 101, Smt. Damodar Govindji Madhavji Rs. 101, Dr. P. Dhargalkar Rs. 100, Mr. R. P. Wagle Rs. 100, Mr. Ahmed Rahim Rs. 100, Mr. V. F. Tarapurwalla Rs. 100, Mr. N. R. Kolhatkar Rs. 100, Messrs. Bhikshandra Balwant Rs. 100, Mr. Shankar S. Parbha Rs. 100, Messrs. Gokuldas Dossad and Co. Rs. 100, Mr. P. Shamrao Rs. 100, Messrs. Jamsedji R. and Devidas, Solicitors Rs. 100, Mr. Rustam Dosabhai Tata, Russ Co. Rs. 51, Mr. H. F. Bhargucha Rs. 51, A Zoroastrian Office Rs. 51, Messrs. Motilal Dayabhai and Co. Rs. 51, Messrs. Chaturbhuj Shivji and Co. Rs. 51, Grass Merchants' Association Rs. 51, Messrs. Nanavati Vovina and Co. Rs. 50, Mr. Purshotamdas Popatlal Rs. 50, Mr. Karsandas Dhamarey Rs. 50, Mr. Vithaldas Bhavnadas Rs. 50, Messrs. Ardehkar Hormaji Dinshaw Rs. 50, Mr. M. G. Javali Rs. 50, Messrs. Dattatraya Fereria and Divan, Solicitors Rs. 50, Mr. Hiralal Nanavati, Solicitor Rs. 50, and Messrs. Hiralal Dhirajlal Rs. 50, sums below rupees 50 Rs. 818.

Through the Volunteers of the School:—Mrs. Hamabai J. K. Mehta Rs. 100, Messrs. Natha Rangji Rs. 50, Basko K. Kaisha, Ltd. Rs. 50, and Sums below Rs. 50 Rs. 500, Total Rs. 29,587-10-9.

FRANCE'S ISOLATED ACTION

A TYPICAL CASE.

"The latest case is typical," says the "Observer," discussing French irritation. "Acting entirely within its rights, the British Government has removed a useless obstruction to trade with Germany by waiving the power to sequester German private property in this country if the Berlin Government makes default as regards payment of the indemnity under the Treaty of Versailles. To give security in this sense, encourages private transactions. It, therefore, somewhat helps the German Government to pay. In any case, the sums at stake are a drop in the bucket by comparison with the vast obligations under the indemnity. They do not count."

"Our neighbours complain that we have taken isolated action. But 'Vous l'avez voulu, Georges Dandin.' France took isolated action at Frankfurt; in recognising General Wrangel; in a Polish policy which is an eternal challenge to the national spirit of Russia; and in revoking after Spa the spirit and letter of the agreement which was reached at San Remo. The League of Nations itself is more than ever openly attacked in the leading Paris organs of the new Anglophobia. When Mr. Caillaux favours the admission of Germany to the League—which could only be an organised sham unless it were ready to include all nations—he reduces no better measure than Mr. Lloyd

AN OPEN LETTER.

TO THE WORKERS OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Comrades—You, who are freedom-loving and conscientious, you who are the backbone of the British nation, you who are the creators of the nation's wealth, power, and the world-wide Empire over which the sun never sets, you who are the three-fourth part of the nation, have you ever realised how the name of England stinks into the nostrils of Asia, Africa, America and even Europe. It may be that you have no time to spare for other things on account of your struggles with the Oligarchs, but when the fair name of your country is at stake, you will please spare a few minutes. May I, a son of a subject-race, a slave not, mind you, of yours, or of the true honest plain speaking British democracy, but of Czars and Tamerlanes possessing English names and titles whose oppressive rule has turned my beautiful India into a veritable Sahara of starvation and misery may I, a humble follower of the Asiatic Krishna, Buddha, Christ, and Mohammed, ask you a few questions?

(1) What do you gain if Turkey is partitioned and the oil-wells of Mosul yield a million per cent. dividend?

(2) What is your profit if a score more or less provinces of Persia are each under a bureaucratic Anglo-Indian-L.C.S. Governor drawing £5000 per annum?

(3) Will it add a few shillings more to your daily wages if the barren wastes of Mesopotamia are patrolled by Indians rendered desperate to do any unwholesome thing on account of the starvation prevailing in their country?

(4) Will it benefit you if a chosen band of aristocrats and their henchmen who have preyed upon you, and sucked you dry, find congenial nests in East Africa by driving away the Indians who were there years before trying to civilise the aborigines not by segregation, flogging, exploiting, and shedding tears over their helplessness and exclaiming with that true fervour bequeathed to them by the Asiatic Christ: "In the eyes of the Father the man of a lowly substance but of the true belief will be more honored than the Pharisees and Sadducees with their affluence and hypocrisy?" Kindly answer how you are benefited by the following sad episodes?

(5) What did you gain when the enslaving imperialistic cabinet blockaded Russia, squandered millions of your money, and sacrificed the lives of thousands of your brothers?

(6) Did you profit a farthing by the Greek massacre of Smyrna and the imperialistic jingoism of the Cretan adventure Venizelos and his scum of the Levantines?

(7) When Dyer massacred and wounded thousands of my brothers at the Jallianwala Bagh, did their blood fertilise the land so that you had a bumper harvest?

(8) Did the Fiji Sugar Company which starved its Indian workers, and then caused martial law to be proclaimed because the starving wretches had the hardihood to ask for a living wage, present you half a lb. of sugar to sweeten your tea?

Everywhere the men of your colour declare an unholy war against human beings of other colours and thus they drag you down to their level. Do you condone their offences? If not please heed the cries of humanity even though it is brown, black or yellow. Exert your power and try to make this world that Garden of Eden which God gave to Adam and his children to live in and thrive instead of the Hell of the bureaucrats and capitalists in which thousands of human beings are sacrificed on the altar of oil-wells, exploitations and robberies of other people's possessions. Please try your utmost, the workers of the whole world are on your side, take up their cause, do not rest satisfied with evasive replies of Ministers, insist on having open enquiries into the matter of Ireland, India, Persia, and other down-trodden countries. Show to the non-interferents of the world that you sympathise with the aspirations of the subject races, and condemn the actions of autocrats and bureaucrats, and a day will come when the name of England will again be as honored as it was in the days of Cromwell! The odds are most against you, but truth is never overruled by lies however numerous. If you take the name of humanity you stand on the side of Truth, i.e., God and thousands of millions of all colored human beings, and of course, if all colored men stand up in a noble cause with "God on their side and God overhead"—"Fraternally yours"

HAKIM RAMLAL RAHVARAIN.

November, 20.

Official & Personal.

His Excellency Sir George Lloyd held a meeting of the Bombay Presidency War and Relief Fund Committee at the Government House on Thursday afternoon.

Her Excellency Lady Lloyd held a meeting of the Infants Welfare Committee at the Government House on Thursday afternoon.

George. His view is denounced as 'debatable'.

"This is an attitude and a temper which can only lead to economic misery and ultimate war. It is a course which cannot be supported by Britain, the United States, Italy, nor any of the neutrals. The unchangeable purpose of this country, irrespective of party, is to work towards the constructive peace and fullest trade intercourse throughout Europe. It is not a scheme of commercial selfishness as the cheap japs in Paris suggest. It is commercial common sense, but it is also the dictate of political equity."

Correspondence

PETITION OF THE WILSON COLLEGE STUDENTS.

QUESTION OF BIBLE TEACHING.

To THE SENATORS OF THE
University of Bombay.

I have the honour to place before you the following representation of the Wilson College Students as authorised by resolution No. 14 passed at their meeting on 15th November, 1920, held at the Marwadi Vidyalaya. (Vide appendix "A").

The students of the Wilson College beg to approach you with a request to look into the attitude recently assumed by the College authorities towards them and pronounce your verdict upon the question at issue.

During the days of the Ganapati festival, a number of students residing in the College Residency resolved to install the sacred image on their own account for the observance of their religious customs. The day before the ceremony of installation, while the students had assembled to complete the preparations for the ensuing day, the Superintendent of the Residency, Mr. John Maclean, suddenly burst in upon them and peremptorily ordered them to remove the image. (There is so far no rule in the Hostel to prevent the students from following their own religious customs.) The manner of his speech astounded the students, but what exasperated them and made them feel that their religious sentiments were being outraged, was his most provoking and uncalled for declaration that he was "a bit of a Mahomedan" and that his God was intolerant. However, after lengthy discussion the authorities thought it expedient to allow them to have their ceremony.

After this episode the students felt it incumbent upon them to make their position quite clear with regard to their own religion and the sacred obligations which it imposed upon them. They therefore wanted to declare firstly that attendance at the Bible Class did not involve any abrogation of their rights to hold and practice their own religious opinions and secondly that the custom of recording the attendance of students during the first period, which is always a Bible period, had been acquired in only as a matter of convenience and did not at all imply any compact on their part to participate in alien forms and manners of prayer.

With this object, the students of the Wilson College held a general meeting on the 25th of September 1920 (vide appendix A for resolutions) and from amongst themselves elected a Deputation to wait upon the Principal to ventilate their grievances and to request that attendance at the Bible Class be made optional for non-Christian students. Unfortunately, instead of receiving any favourable reply the deputation was asked to refrain from holding any more meetings. This order, however unjust, the students did not violate. Meanwhile, on the last day of the term their representatives were served with notice (vide appendix B) to the effect that they would not be re-admitted to the College for the second term. No reasons, however, were given for this virtual dismissal.

On the same day the Principal promulgated a new notice (appendix C) creating a new situation. Now, by this declaration, which is itself a mass of matters taken for granted or things implied or understood to be implied, the Principal tries to give the appearance of a standing rule to what was at a matter of convention until now. Secondly when he says that Bible instruction is a part of the college curriculum he overlooks the curriculum of the University and sets up his own instead. Thirdly, by marking the daily attendance during the Bible hour he indirectly makes attendance at the Bible class conditional to certifying their having kept terms. Therefore, this declaration, the students maintain is an infringement of regulation No. 154 of the Bombay University which defines the keeping of terms in the following words:—

"To keep a term at a college or recognised institution, an undergraduate must go through the full course of study at that college or institution prescribed for such term to the class to which the undergraduate belongs."

Now the students maintain that the power to determine the full course of study or curriculum is vested in the Senate but Regulation No. 25 (2) (a) under "Acts". The students therefore conclude that so long as they go through the full course prescribed by the University by attending the lectures in that course, the Principal must grant a certificate required of the candidate for examination, because.

(a) Regulation No. 19 "See Acts" requires a certificate from a college "to the effect that he (student) has completed the course of instruction prescribed by Regulation" (which the students think to be No. 25 (2) (a).)

(b) The examination form to be signed by the Principal requires him to certify that the student,

(i) has satisfactorily completed the course prescribed by the University

(ii) has satisfactorily carried out in this college the work appointed by the University, etc., (vide form No. 1.)

The students therefore desire to know the ruling of the Senate as to—

1. Whether non-attendance at the Bible Class can be taken to mean absence at lectures in the course prescribed by the University.

2. Whether such non-attendance amounts, in the opinion of the Senate, to having not kept the terms at the College although one goes through the full course of the University.

3. Whether for such non-attendance the Principal can withhold the candidate's certificate required of him by Regulation No. 19.

The reply may be communicated through the Press.

I beg to remain,
Gentlemen,
Yours faithfully,
(Sd.) F. J. GINWALA,
Chairman,
WILSON COLLEGE STUDENTS' MEETING.
N.B.—References are to Bombay University Calendar (1919-20) Vol. I.

ACCU-TAN GENERAL'S OFFICE BOMBAY.

(To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")
Sir,—Your obligations to this office have been incalculable. May we however depend upon the incalculableness of your benevolence? We pray you to find room for the following few lines in your columns.

There are a number of grievances in the clerical world and so in A.G.'s office. But there is one here to which, as it seems, the outward world could furnish no parallel. It is the ludicrous want of discretion or eliminate apprehension of officers.

We are long labouring under a serious grievance—deprivation of the means of subsistence in ways of universality of the incalculableness of existing means. In the beginning we had hope that this enormity would be speedily rectified, but our hopes were dashed because he was not aware of the exact nature of the grievance. It was accordingly, with great civility, brought to his notice. And the reply given was that he was already aware of the full extent of the grievance! If so, when he still bears with it, what does it show? Either extreme hard-heartedness on his part or miserable helplessness. For ourselves we are extremely unwilling to brand him with either of these inhuman accusations, but we are curious to know whether he is really prepared to assume and avow either of them himself.

It is a year since the pay of our office has been revised. But the revision has been so extraordinary that many men are losing by it. And this state of things is continuing for one complete year, and in spite of clear orders of the Supreme Government authorising the grant of relief in such circumstances. There are distinct, written, communicated orders of the Government of India to the effect that all measures of relief sanctioned by the Local Government should be extended to this office—the "Imperial" establishment. The Local Government have laid down two scales of allowances, a higher one for those establishments whose pay is not revised and a lower one for those whose pay is revised. This latter scale would apply to us in the ordinary course, but not. All allowances were stopped from the date of revision for want of distinct orders for their continuation, in spite of the above order of the Government of India, in spite of the still higher order—the men turning losers by the revision of the emoluments according to the higher scale ignoring revision exceeding the present pay under the revision.

Further, distinct orders for the continuation of the allowances have now been received. And the payment is still held back. Because there is an ambiguity—a strange ambiguity—in the orders. There is one undoubted. But it is so trifling, so frivolous, so obvious, that it should rather impose on a schoolboy of the second standard than on an officer of the position of A. G. Indeed, the case is so clear, so strong that an action for the recovery of the amount with interest and costs would stand in the civil court. Before it is too late (we mean not the thing of the civil suit but the receipt of the confirmation order on which perhaps a third reference might be) will A. G. show that he is worthy of the exalted rank of A. G.? that he has the sympathy of the common man, discretion of an officer, authority of the Head of Department, the responsibility of a ruler of 500 souls?—Yours, etc.

Bombay, Nov. 29.

"BACK TO HINDUISM."

To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—In your issue of the 24th instant you published a letter from "An Indian Catholic" under the heading "Back to Hinduism." In the said letter your correspondent in agreeing with Mr. B. J. Bhatt has passed a remark that no argument whatsoever has been advanced by me against the "truth of Christianity" in my letter that has appeared in your issue of the 28th ultimo and therein referred to.

So far as my own returning to Hinduism was concerned, I followed my own conscience and it was no part of my duty to advance any argument whether there was any truth or no truth at all of Christianity. If there is any truth at all in it, it is meant for Believers in Christianity and not for all the descendants of my type

whose forefathers were converted by means of force, etc. For forcible conversion vide Government publications called the "Vaccinators."

Your correspondent is carelessly boasting with his remark that Hindus and foundations of Christianity are impregnable. In the West, the historians of that land of liberty have actually glorified the religious and civil prestige of Christianity and called it without reserve the Religion of Liberty. I beg to refer your correspondent to "Short Studies on Great Subjects" by Mr. Froude. "Religious Superstition and Infidelity by Mr. J. A. Lawland" and the "Works of Col. Robert Green Ingersoll." The alleged truth of Christianity could not in the least make any impression on our mind within the last two centuries, what could it do hereafter even if the Christian Priests are now awakened and struggling hard to deal with and control our people to be where they are. So far as our people—I call them now Hindoo-Catholics—are concerned, I can safely say that they have never been really Christians in their religious aspirations and in their social life. Out of those Hindoo-Catholics who have not yet returned to Hinduism, some from Dharwar have gone last week to Pandharpur and some from Mandvi have gone this week to visit Kankeshwar and Nageshwar in spite of strenuous efforts on the part of Christian Priests to check them from performing and observing rites of Hinduism.

On Sunday next the 28th inst., the annual feast of St. Ignatius is to be performed at Mandvi Chapel in consequence whereof the Divine service as usual has been commenced in that Chapel from Monday last the 22nd instant and our Hindoo-Catholics have been summoned to attend the Chapel every evening. On Ekadashi Holiday (22-11-20) some of the Mandvi people observed and kept fast and attended simultaneously the Divine service and on the next day they hurried up back home from the Church to celebrate the marriages of their "Tools."

Now let the leading Catholics see that Hindoo-Catholics are well instructed for and confirmed in their Faith and Belief as suggested by that high class convert—your correspondent.—Yours, etc.

A. J. NAKHWA.

Mandvi. Koliwada, Nov. 25.

EXCESSIVE PRICES OF CHARCOAL IN BOMBAY.

(To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")

Sir,—I would bring to your notice the existing high prices of charcoal for house and purposes in Bombay at present.

The prices for this article as advertised some time ago and authorised were Rs. 1-4-0 and Rs. 1-0-0 per maund for household and labour consumption respectively. But now it is impossible to purchase charcoal for less than Rs. 3-5-0 per maund, besides the quality is very much inferior to that formerly supplied. The charcoal we got at present in the Bazaars at these exorbitant prices is mixed up with a lot of charcoal dust which is quite unfit for use and instances are not wanting where heavy stones are hidden in the bags purchased.

Now, Sir, I beg to ask you if something cannot be done to stop this excessive profiteering in this article of general utility. Is it not high time for the controller to step in and exercise his powers to bring the prices down to what they originally were?

The existing high prices are not due, as informed, to any shortage of charcoal but it is due to all the coal merchants amalgamating and refusing to sell charcoal at the authorised prices to swell their profits.

Kindly give this letter a corner in your esteemed columns so that it might catch the eyes of the powers that be and something may be done to alleviate this extortion on an already suffering public.—Yours etc.

B. A. PANDIT,

Lalbaug, Nov. 25.

NATIONAL EDUCATION.

AGRICULTURE.

To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Referring to your Leader in today's "Chronicle" pointing out how very important it is that agriculture should form part of the National Education programme, I have to point out to you certain reasons which at present act as a bar to us who have received moral education from taking to the profession of Agriculture. It cannot be said that it is due to the want of Agricultural Colleges that our young men do not go in for this line.

As a matter of fact almost all those who become graduates in the Agricultural course, join either Government service in that department or take to the profession of schoolmasters or commercial clerks. The reason is this: The majority of those who win a University degree, are not weak young men and as they finally step out of their colleges and intend to begin life in this busy world they find it economically and physically impossible to take up an independent profession. They prefer to walk in the footsteps of their relatives and friends and adopt the sure and easy course of making a living by selling their knowledge and individuality for a pittance. They have a number of dependents to feed and they must eke out a living somehow.

Now, if as you advise, these must turn to agricultural pursuits, where can they find land sufficiently large in area for operations on a paying scale? The tenure payable to Government is already high and the periodical enhancement of land revenue, under the political excuse that a portion of the unearned increment should go to the State, stands in the way of improvements, which nobody likes to undertake for fear of being practically taxed on his labours and outlay. There again partly owing to the unsympathetic policy of Land Revenue administration and partly due to the system of dividing landed property

amongst the several parties in a family, according to the Hindu Law, Agriculture is not found to be a paying concern at the present time. The system of Land Revenue administration has impoverished the agriculturists because the policy as followed in practice, has practically made them lose all interest in holding, tilling and improving land which yields very little profit. The subdivisions of land have been so many in each case that even ten survey numbers in one's possession do not come to one or two acres. The farmers are weak, emaciated, ill-clad and half-fed even during the harvest season and during the several months that intervene between one crop and another, they prefer to migrate to distant industrial districts and earn their living at the sweat of their brow by manual labour. In fact, Agriculture is neglected because it does not pay. Then again, the cultivators cannot resort to their tried methods of farming, and suffer for want of those facilities which the State must always give with a free hand to the agricultural class.

The cruel way in which forest laws have been created and enforced, the consequent devastation of agricultural produce by wild beasts, the curtailment of the villagers' natural rights to the fodder for cattle and green leaves for manure, the unwise extension of forest areas to the new limits of fields under cultivation, the deterioration, and in some places, a most extinction of cattle, these and several other factors have deprived agricultural occupation of its charm and profits. The Government have professed themselves to be the saviours of the farmer class and have sought to alienate them from the well-to-do classes on whom they were dependent and which dependence, to some extent, helped them to pull on in time of famine. Acts, like the Agriculture Relief Act, have only created a barrier between the well-to-do and the poor, with the result that the latter miserably suffer. The Government with all its professed good intentions to do good to the masses, does not step forward to give relief, to the extent it is necessary, and under their machinery, the poor ryot is ground to dust. This was the object lesson which the Kaira incident so vividly brought to light. Under depressing circumstances like these, can you hope to see that our educated young men turn their attention to Agriculture? It is not thus a question of creating agricultural schools and colleges, but of finding men ready to work under the present disappointing state of affairs. The various methods of Agriculture taught in our colleges and experimental farms have no doubt their scientific and academic value but, in practice these are unworkable owing to the poverty and ignorance of the agricultural classes who while being unwilling to appreciate the advantage of innovations are also unable to undertake experiments and operations even within their limited areas, owing to extreme indebtedness and poverty.

To secure the whole system of Land Revenue administration is revised and re-vised more sympathetically, I doubt, if you appeal to the educated young men to devote their time and energy to agricultural pursuits with the hope of earning a livelihood, whether, if any do join the line, they will have an adequate reward for their labour. Of course Agriculture must form an important part of the National Education programme but education, for being conducted on national lines should also draw inspiration and support from the facilities which the State has to give or should be compelled to give, in case it is to be a success. This brings us to the question of nationalising the Government itself and unless you succeed in that, your slipshod efforts to improve or re-name this or that, will produce no great results.—Yours, etc.

V. M. DUBHASHE.

Gandevi, Dec. 1.

PORTUGUESE COLONIES.

To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—I read with interest the article on East Africa by the Rev. Mr. C. F. Andrews, and rejoiced at his appreciation of the treatment of the Portuguese Government to the Indians in Portuguese East Africa. As all students of history know the Portuguese have been the most daring and chivalrous nation. The Portuguese came to India with a twofold object, i.e., merchandise and the Conversion of Pagan nation to Christianity.

The Portuguese are a noble minded race and allowed the people conquered by them to call themselves Portuguese. It is not necessary to go far for an instance. The Maharatta community of Bombay, Salsette, Bassein, etc., were converted to Catholicism by the Portuguese before the English put their feet on Indian soil. These converts have for centuries been known as the Portuguese inhabitants of Bombay, etc. On the cession of Bombay to the British as a dowry to Charles I of England, these Portuguese of Bombay enjoyed great privileges under the British Raj. During the threatened invasion of India by Napoleon in the early nineteenth century, not one of the Indian community not excepting the Parsis came forward to help the English, when there was disruption at home. Tipoo Sultan being one of the insurgents. The Government of Bombay formed a Militia of the Portuguese to defend against the invasion. This regiment was disbanded about 1818 and the Governor of Bombay recorded their services in very eulogistic terms. The Portuguese community of Bombay is at present in a bad plight. They call themselves "East Indians." What is an "East Indian," Sir? As we know the members of the "John Company" were known as such. The name was thereafter appropriated by the Eurasians of Madras and elsewhere. But they too discarded it and called themselves "Anglo Indians," the correct designation. Why the deluded Catholics of Bombay, etc., who were known as Portuguese or Portuguese amongst the Indians have changed their fair name to "East Indian," passes my comprehension. Any way so far as I can see they have

not improved their conditions.—Yours, etc.,
HE IS A MIA.

AN APPEAL TO MAHATMA GANDHI.

To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—You will be doing an act of public benefit if you publish the following important request to Mahatmaji in your next issue paper and at the same time raise your powerful pen in support of it. It has been proved beyond doubt that Mahatma Gandhi commands the highest respect and the greatest influence throughout the length and breadth of India. He is known to have upheld righteous causes and been crowned with marked successes in all his attempts. His love of Satya and sincere devotion for the country without the slightest motive of selfishness have won for him so large a number of followers that nothing is impossible for him which he sets his heart to. He is revered like a great saint and the days are such that most of his countrymen are willing to obey his word. In these circumstances it would not be inappropriate if I humbly appeal to him to deprecate in his lectures the Hunda (dowry) system in Indian marriages which has since a long time past resulted in the baneful destruction of a number of Indian homes. So many appalling events have occurred and been published in the Press in recent years that it will be a repetition if I dilate upon the evils and havoc it plays in our beloved country. I am afraid, if Mahatmaji does not make it a part and parcel of his powerful lectures, India will sooner or later ruin herself in spite of Mahatmaji's attempt to gain for her a complete Swaraj. Social and political progress must go hand in hand. Social problems must in some respects get the upper hand and the Hunda problem is in my humble opinion one of them. It is rather a shame on the people's integrity and honour that there should be a regular open auction sale of maids in this advanced country. The practice must be stopped without the least possible delay at any costs and I am sure it cannot be done without the command of Mahatmaji. It will be an ever lasting blessing or boon to the Indians if Mahatmaji exerts himself and succeeds in his attempt of crushing down this Hunda system which bears no support of antiquity from our Shastras.—Yours, etc.

V. P. RANGNEKAR.

Savantvadi, Nov. 22.

JHARIA MINERS ORGANISE.

(To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")

Sir,—Herewith I am sending to you a copy of the wire I sent to Lala Lajpatrai, President, "Trade Union Congress" and request you to please publish it in your paper. I further request you to warn the English and Indian colliery proprietors not to interfere with the actions of the miners in their peaceful attempt at betterment of their condition.

The miners and all other workers in the mines should be asked to peacefully organise their forces and formulate their grievances and lay them before the Government. Dip Narain Singh, Mr. Chamanlal of Bombay and others who are expected here shortly.

It has come to my knowledge that an English colliery manager dismissed a worker in his colliery as the said worker took part in organising labourers in the coal fields. Acts like this will tend to create a conflagration which all the water in the Ganges Damodar may not suffice to quench.—Yours, etc.,

VISHWANAND.

Jharia (Manbhum).

Copy of the telegram sent to Lala Lajpatrai on November 14, 1920 by Mohontwari.

"Meeting, Kirkend President, Mohontwari, by Vishwanand coalminers, still suffering starvation, scanty wages. English collieries threatening attending meetings. Reply Swamiji, Jharia."

THE WHEELS OF GOVERNMENT.

(To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")

Sir,—One of the first appeals made to our present Governor on the day of his arrival in this country was to see if he could not teach the Bombay Secretariat officials the business virtues of promptness and expedition. The public complains that although one pays—and pays too—numerous Secretaries, Under-Secretaries, Chief Secretaries, Deputy Secretaries, Additional Secretaries, Assistant Secretaries, Extra Secretaries, and so on, yet to any communication addressed to the Secretariat one never receives a reply earlier than at least six months. The appeal has had little effect. For example, it was in July last that the Chief Secretary invited applications for the selection of a probationer to be trained for the Deputy Collectors' Line. Since then the matter has been entirely shelved. Even calls for the first interview have not yet been sent out, leave alone the actual selection which comes months after the call. Or is there any foundation for the popular belief that Government already nominate one of their lackeys secretly, and then advertise in order to throw dust into public eyes? Some light on the subject will oblige.—Yours, etc.,

Nov. 25.

MR. B. P. WADI IN TROUBLE

(To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE.")

Sir,—A suit filed against Mr. B. P. Wadi and eight others in the Madras High Court praying for a perpetual injunction "restraining them from continuing and giving effect to their alleged conspiracy to maliciously injure the plaintiffs, the Bank

of India, in their various, and in particular restraining them from attending meetings of plaintiff's workmen, not to enter into contracts with plaintiff or to continue in plaintiff's employment," and opened up a very serious question of a constitutional character, in respect of the trade union movement in India. Is it this: whether labour has a right to organise itself and in case of a failure of negotiations between the employer and the employee, to resort to strike as a last resort and whether a person has, "in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute" a right "to induce workers to break a contract of employment?" The suit against Mr. Wadi seems to show that the plaintiff do not recognise the right of labour to organise itself and to resort to strike in case the negotiations fail and also the right of a person "to induce" labour "to break a contract of employment in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute." This is an attitude both wrong in principle and suicidal to the industrial growth of the nation, that they have adopted. It may be that under the existing laws of the country trade unions may not be given statutory recognition. But knowing, as they do, the fact that Labour has received statutory recognition in England and other western countries and considering the present powerful force that it has created all the world over by its sustained work of years together, the attitude on the part of the managers of the Bank against this is hardly justified, no matter whether labour has secured to-day any statutory recognition in India or not. Trade Unionism has come here to stay. Not only Labour unions are being formed in different industrial centres of the country, but, only recently, there has also sprung up a central organisation—the All-India Trade Union Congress—for the purposes of united action and protecting Labour interests. Nothing can check or even retard the onward march of this movement. It is, therefore, well both for capital and government on the one hand, and labour on the other, that if bitter conflicts between capital and labour like those in England are to be avoided and if the two are to go on building up the industrial India of tomorrow on a firm foundation of mutual goodwill, the former give formal recognition to the latter without any further delay. If it is contended that there is no law in the country which legally recognises labour organising itself, and a person's interference in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute for inducing workers to break a contract of employment, then all I say is that the Government of India should take the earliest opportunity of bringing before the legislature a Trade Union Bill on the model of the English Trade Union and Trade Disputes Act with a view to put Indian labour on a basis of formal and statutory recognition and avoid actions like the one that is before us today, on the part of capital. It is quite evident that had there been any such act in India, the complaint against Mr. Wadi could not have been lodged. For, the English law distinctly states that "an act done by a person in contemplation or furtherance of a trade dispute shall not be actionable on the ground only that it induces some other person to break a contract of employment, or that it is an interference with the trade, business, or employment of some other person, or with the right of some other person to dispose of his capital or his labour as he will." Till the passing of such legislation in India, the employers should adopt a generous policy towards Labour and thus prevent quarrels from resulting in hatred against each other. If we have any regard for the teachings of history, we in India must not at any cost allow her to be dragged into the most bitter conflicts between capital and labour that England witnessed to her and experience during the last century.—Yours, etc.,

R. R. B.

HONOURS AND DISHONOUR.

To THE EDITOR OF "THE CHRONICLE."

Sir,—Although our great national institution I mean the Indian National Congress, have passed the Non-Cooperation resolution, some of our patriots are still out for accepting beggary questions such as J.P.'s. Almost the whole of India is unanimous that under the present political conditions titles and distinctions simply add to our insult and disgrace. The Bombay Shroff Mahajan is a great and important commercial body, and their chairman is expected to respect public opinion and not to defy it. Yet I am sorry he, alongside with a few other has been weak enough to accept the distinction of a J.P. and had, through private means, received intimation that the Chairman of the Shroff Mahajan, has accepted the distinction of a J.P. a month before the announcement appeared in the "Government Gazette." As soon as I received this intimation I had sent this letter to him as a pre-warning. Bombay Shroff Mahajan and the readers, now know that the advice and warning, my letter conveyed have, as expected, remained unheeded.

The letter I had addressed to the Chairman of the Shroff Mahajan runs as follows:—

To Sheth Manibhai Gokulbhai,
Dear Sir,

An emergency has arisen, which forces me to pen the following few lines for your perusal and kind consideration:—

I am sorry, nay the whole of your Shroff Mahajan and the Bombay Jain community are sorry to learn that you are on the eve of accepting a distinction of a J.P. you are fully aware, that the late Congress by its express resolution, has committed the whole of India to the policy of Non-Cooperation. The very first article of the Non-Cooperation creed, commands us the abandonment of the titles and distinctions and not to accept them any further. Yet, you are out for accepting the J.P. distinction and thus deliberately violate this very first article of the Non-Cooperation creed. It was but a few days back, when one of your friends, I mean, the Chairman of the Jain Association of India, in obedience to the Congress mandate, withdrew his candidature for the Reformed Council, which also the Congress have resolved to boycott.

The Bombay Shroff Mahajan, of which you

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re the Chairman, has full sympathy with the policy of the Non-cooperation. Under such circumstances, don't you think, you expose yourself to shame and disgrace, not only of you, but of the great community to which your great Jain community? Just when we daily read in papers, announcements after announcements, resigning titles and abandoning honours, and when we are told of the function of a J.P., shall go more or less, as a shock not only to the various members of your Mahajan, but of your community too. I don't think, don't you think, that you have failed to learn it already, that titles and honours give neither honour nor respect, to the recipient, but only additional weight to his shoulders. I also add, in this connection, it is not nearly but cowardly to accept such distinctions, without value or importance, and which paralyse your very spirit of freedom.

Please, pause and think. What would your Shrotr Mahajan think of it, who are their Chairman? Please think what would the great body think of you, when they shall learn that you, in deliberate defiance of the Shrotr Mahajan, have accepted the title of a beggarly distinction of a J.P. I beseech you—entreat you to balance calmly the pros and cons of your action and its sure and unmistakable results. And I ask, can you amend your future, before it is too late to go back to your own life, if you will. You have, thank God, still time and opportunity, to save yourself from the ignominy of the title of a J.P. and dishonour, which shall undoubtedly be your doom, by an open and bold refusal to accept the distinction of the J.P., which is offered to you. I only wish you had accepted, if, however, you shall fail to decline the offer, I and once more, you shall remain disgraced and dishonoured. I have no position for you. For, how could you continue to be the Chairman of the body, when you deliberately insult the members of that body, by accepting the title of a J.P. against their desires. Do you think that the great Shrotr Mahajan, freedom and liberty loving as they are, will tolerate such gross and unpardonable weakness on your part? Mind you, the future is too dark and gloomy.

One thing more. In these days, it is very wise to have a little more of the spirit of non-cooperation, or of defy the strength of the public opinion. You must make it clear to you, that public opinion is not a play-thing to be trifled with. It is a force, which is too strong and unconquerable strength and power, and we unto him, who dares to defy it.

I have not a particle of ill-will or bad feeling towards you, but I have to say, and frankly, and point you out, the results and consequences, if you are rash to accept the title of a J.P. against the P. I give you this warning. It is private and good sooths. It is certainly for you, to accept or defy it. I want to tell you here, that if this is your wish, I will do all that I can, to endeavour to bring upon you the strong and unconquerable force of public opinion, and for that purpose, you will compel me to do so. I shall be glad, as the great Shrotr Mahajan, with this letter. Do hope and trust, that you shall treat this letter in a proper manner, and do not force me to go to that extent.—Yours, etc.

(THURSDAY, Dec. 2.)

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His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to create with effect from 1st December 1920, a temporary appointment of Collector, Bombay Suburban District, and to appoint Mr. C. H. Perry, I.C.S., to such temporary appointment, pending further orders.

Mr. A. C. Rumbold, O.B.E., to be a member of the Board of Trustees for the Port of Bombay, vice Sir Lawless Hepper, resigned.

The Governor in Council is pleased to authorise Mr. John Lawson Williams to pilot vessels in the Port of Bombay.

Leave of absence for one year granted to Mr. Karamchand Lal Bahadur, Lecturer in Mathematics, Karamnagar College, Dhurwal, is converted by his Majesty's Secretary of State for India into privilege leave for six months from 1st April 1920 to 30th April 1920 and ten months privilege leave from 4th April 1920 to 3rd February 1921.

Mr. Luizezado Dadovaldo Rianvalva to be Assistant Professor of Biology, Royal Institute of Tropical Medicine, Bombay, with effect from 1st June 1920.

Mr. A. R. Adal, F.R.C.S., to act as Physician, District Medical and Health Hospitals, Bombay, in addition to his own duties without effect from the 1st October 1921.

Mr. J. C. B. Robinson, M.B.E., I.M.S., has been allowed by his Majesty's Secretary of State for India an extension of furlough by five months.

Mr. J. G. W. Anthony, M.B. Ch. C. M. (Burm), F.R.C.S.E., L.A.S., was granted leave from the 14th February 1921 or from the subsequent date of relief, privilege leave of absence for such period as may be determined by the Government in consultation with furlough for such period as may bring the combined period of absence up to nine months.

On relief by Mr. C. E. Pooley, Executive Engineer, Bangalore, Mr. H. S. Datta, Assistant Executive Engineer, is appointed Under Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, Roads and Buildings, vice Mr. W. L. C. French, A.M.I.C.E., Executive Engineer, Bangalore.

Mr. R. T. Harrison, Superintending Engineer, is on return from leave, appointed to

act as Chief Engineer and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department.

Being the official representative of Mr. F. Wright, Chief Engineer and Acting Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, is appointed to act as Chief Engineer and Joint Secretary to Government, Public Works Department, in addition to his own duties.

On return from leave Mr. F. Wright, Superintending Engineer, is posted to the Southern Division.

On being relieved by Mr. Wright, Mr. Burdett Edulji Vachha, B.Sc., L.C.E., Superintending Engineer, transferred to the Indus River Bank Division.

SIR J. C. BOSE.

"NATURE'S" APPRECIATION.

In high appreciation of Sir J. C. "Bose's Life and Work" by Prof. Geddes the Nature

The author of this biography was fortunate in his subject: it was no hard task to write an interesting chronicle of so eventful a life and of so striking a personality. Sir J. C. Bose is equally fortunate in his biographer. His life and work are not forthwith conspicuous with literary skill, scientific knowledge and sympathy with the East. The result is a singularly instructive and eminently readable book.

The story of his life shows that Sir J. C. Bose had to contend, at all stages, with difficulties of all kinds. Having successfully completed his University career, Bose returned to India to face the serious difficulty—that of obtaining a suitable educational post. It is explained how impossible it seemed to the official mind that a native of India should be fitted by ability and attainments for a professorship in physical science—there was no precedent for such a claim. However, chiefly by the influence of the then Viceroy, Lord Ripon, Bose was appointed professor of physics in the Presidency College, Calcutta, a period he held until 1915. During this period he was actively engaged, not only in his teaching and increasing the efficiency of his department by securing adequate laboratory accommodation, but also in carrying on the researches that have made his name famous.

HIS RESEARCHES.

Of these researches the author gives an attractively lucid and succinct account. The first were wholly physical and to these three chapters are devoted. Their main subject was that of the properties of the Patzian electric waves, by which wireless telegraphy is effected. It is of interest to note that so far back as 1895 Bose had demonstrated the passage of these waves from one part to another part of his laboratory building. In the course of this work he observed that his metallic receivers manifested signs of "fatigue," an observation which led him to the comparison, in this respect, of metals result that he found them to be essentially and of animal and plant-tissues, with the identical (chapter VII, "Response in the Living and Non-Living"). He was thus deeply interested in the study of the irritability and movements of plants, that for the next twenty years he devoted himself exclusively to it. An adequate account of his remarkable work in this direction is given in chapter IX-XV. The result may be summed up in one brief statement that the phenomena of irritability of animals and plants are altogether analogous, and that the multifarious movements of plants are inseparable of a simple universal explanation depending fundamentally on the quantity of stimulus received. These great generalisations

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tion of it, is particularly the hardest lot of any human beings. Their salary ranges from Rs. 25 to Rs. 100 and with this they have to maintain themselves their wives and children and very often their poor dependents. They have to keep up certain appearances, to provide decent clothing for themselves and their families and decent education for their children. In addition they have to provide decent quarters and

they have to live in decent quarters and have faithfully to keep up certain social engagements. With all this they happen to be the only earning members of their family, for while all the members of the family of a workingman are co-operating with him in adding to the family Exchequer, a clerk's family is entirely dependent on him for all its expenditure.

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you will rise what agonies it must be to your employees to feel at the end of each day and every month, to realise daily, that they must be continually in debt and that without borrowing it is impossible to live, such continuous strain is telling on the clerical community and if you only realise it in time you will save thousands of your fellow beings from this continued misery. The clerical community is not organised and is too weak to make an organised effort at this time to rouse you to a sense of your responsibilities and duties to your Employees. If you can only realise what your employees

are enduring, through your not paying a thought as to how they could live on the salary you pay them. I am sure our lot would not be as miserable and unbearable as it is to-day. Just take only one item of your monthly expenditure, even an item of luxury like smoking, gharry hire or ought else, and you will on comparison find that it exceeds the salary paid monthly to a great portion of your hard-worked employees. Once this conviction downs on you, you are sure to realise what hardships your employees are patiently enduring. May this appeal be read by you and may some good result from it is the prayer of the writer, who is one of the thousands of unhappy clerks in this city.—Yours, etc.,

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 PLAGUE IN THE PRESIDENCY.

PLAGUE IN THE PRESIDENCY.

The following statement of plague deaths reported to have occurred in Districts and Native States in the Bombay Presidency for the week ending 20th November 1920, is published for general information:

East Khandesh District 3; Thana District 2; Satara District 201; Poona Town 2; Belgaum District 10; Dharwar District 98; Bijapur District 4; Karachi City 2; Kolhapur and Southern Maratha Country States 174; Kathiawar Agency 1; Savanur State 3; total 560.

His Excellency the Governor in Council is pleased to create with the previous sanction of his Majesty's Secretary of State for India, a temporary appointment of Land Manager, Development Directorate, Bombay, and to appoint to it Captain E. M. Gilbert-Lodge, with effect from 11th November 1920.

were rendered possible by the employment of a recording apparatus much more delicate than any previously devised and capable of magnifying the minute movements a thousands or even a million times. The vast and most formidable difficulty to overcome was that of securing recognition of his work. So long as Rose's work was confined to purely physical subject it did not arise; but when he trespassed into the domain of physiology, opposition became strong in this country, though on the Continent and in America his results were received with enthusiasm. Here the antiquated idea of "water-tight compartments" was asserted and itself to such an extent that it was not for many years that justice was done. All this is fully discussed in the author's pages, where it is also made clear that ultimate triumph was due not to ability alone, but mainly to the strength of character and lofty ideals.

The sub-title of the book is "An Indian Pioneer of Science." Like all pioneers Sir J. C. Bose has had to encounter many and great difficulties and as has been pointed out, he has unlike many pioneers, successfully overcome them. It is to be hoped, now that the days of storm and stress are over, he may be able to devote all his energy to the continuance of his work in the scientific field that he has found for the purpose.

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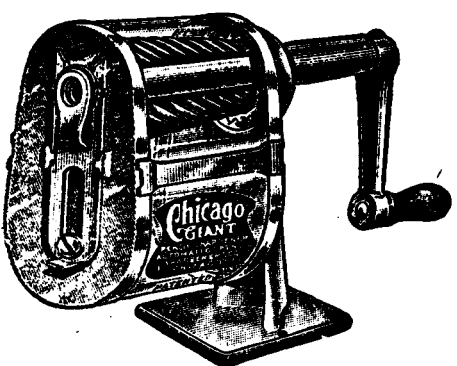
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TERRORISM IN IRELAND**MURDERS AND REPRISALS.****"TAKING POT-SHOTS AT WOMEN."**

In the House of Commons on Nov. 4, Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland (Sunderland, C.L.), answering Mr. Pennefather (Kirkdale, C.U.), said:—The number of policemen murdered during the month of October was 22, including one district inspector, an ex-officer of the Army, and the number wounded 28. The number of soldiers murdered was 14, including seven officers, and the number wounded 30, including three officers. Particulars of the number of arrests for this particular class of crime during the month are not yet available, but the total number of civilians brought to trial by Court-martial during the month was 223, of whom 167 were convicted of offences connected in varying degree with attacks on the forces of the Crown, and 17 persons who were convicted of direct complicity in such attacks have received sentences ranging from 10 years' penal servitude to two years' imprisonment, with hard labour. In one case there was a conviction for murder, and sentence of death was imposed and executed.

Mr. Hogge (Edinburgh, E. L.) asked whether it was a fact that only one man had been arrested, tried, and executed for murder.

Sir Hamar Greenwood.—For the murder of police or soldiers, yes; but there are several awaiting trial.

Sir H. Greenwood, answering Mr. Devlin, who asked questions with reference to murders in Belfast, said:—In the case of John Gaynor, the Military Court of inquiry found that he was killed while resisting arrest by members of the police force, who fired justifiably in the execution of their duty. The finding in the cases of John McEldown and Edward Todd was that death resulted from bullet wounds inflicted by persons unknown.

Mr. Devlin.—Is the right hon. gentleman aware that at 1 o'clock on the morning of these occurrences a motor-lorry full of uniformed men went from one house to another and murdered these men in the presence of their wives and children? Sir H. Greenwood.—I am not aware of that, and this is a very serious allegation to make against the police. (Hear, hear.) Mr. Devlin.—I make the allegation, and will make it outside. I want to know whether the right hon. gentleman is prepared to grant a full and complete inquiry into the assassination of these men in the presence of their wives and children? I never heard a more infamous answer in my life. (Cries of "Withdraw!") Sir H. Greenwood.—If the hon. member has any evidence to bring before a Court in Ireland to show that the police, as alleged by him, were guilty of assassination, I shall be very glad to set up a Court so that he may produce that evidence. Mr. Devlin.—Do I understand from the right hon. gentleman that he is prepared to set up an impartial independent Court of Inquiry? Sir H. Greenwood.—I have given my answer.

Mr. Donald (Belfast, Victoria, C.U.).—Is the right hon. gentleman aware that if any more police or soldiers are assassinated in Belfast there will be more than three Sinn Feiners shot. Mr. Devlin.—You would not have the courage to shoot anyone. (Laughter.)

THE HOUSE AND MR. MALONE.

Sir A. Williamson, Parliamentary and Financial Secretary, War Office (Moray and Nairn, C.L.), replying to a question by Mr. Devlin in reference to alleged wrecking of houses in Fermanagh by soldiers, "under the leadership of some of their officers in muffi," by way of reprisal, said, I regret that the information at my disposal does not enable me to answer the detailed points raised in this question, but a report has been called for from the military authorities.

Mr. Malone (Leyton, E. L.), on rising to put a supplementary question, was received with loud and prolonged cries of "Sit down" and "Sit down, Boleyn." The Speaker, having interposed, and called on Mr. Malone to put his question, the hon. member said:—Would it not be better for the Secretary of State for War to pay some attention to these regrettable outrages in preference to reviewing books for the "Daily Mail"? (Ironical laughter.) The Speaker.—That does not arise.

NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENTS.

Sir H. Greenwood, replying to Mr. Hogge, who asked whether he had made inquiries into the allegation by Mr. Hugh Martin that his life was threatened by "Black and Tans" in Tralee, said:—I have made inquiries into this matter, and find that the county inspector was not present at the time, and has no knowledge of any threat towards Mr. Martin. He states that the police furnished two correspondents with information sought by them concerning the recent police murders in this district. Mr. Martin called at the police barracks, Tralee, yesterday, and asked for protection. He was informed that, in the opinion of the police, he is not in danger, but, in view of his request, he would be given all possible protection.

Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy asked if the right hon. gentleman suggested that both Mr. Hugh Martin and the correspondent of the "Evening News," Mr. Macgregor, were deliberately misleading the public and this House by their statements.

Sir H. Greenwood said he made no such suggestion. Replying to further questions, Sir H. Greenwood said the county inspector had made every effort to obtain information in the short interval between the time when he was wired to and the time necessary to answer the question that day. He would have to parade his police and make individual inquiries, but in the meantime the police and soldiers were doing their best to search for the criminals who during the past few days had murdered several police-

men. He had every confidence in the county inspector.

Mr. MacVeage.—Then your statement was purely imaginary.

ATHLONE PRINTING WORKS.

Sir H. Greenwood, replying to Mr. F. O. Roberts (West Bromwich, Lab.) as to the report that armed forces of the Crown had made another attack on the Athlone Printing Works, said he called for a report on this matter, and was informed that the works were burned down at 3-30 a.m. on November 3. The police authorities reported that all the local police, some 20 in number, were in their barracks at the time, and there were no other police in Athlone. Athlone was under Curfew Order from 10 o'clock to 5 a.m., and he was informed that the curfew patrol did not see the outrage committed. Further inquiries would be made. He was glad to say no person was injured.

Answering further questions, Sir H. Greenwood said that up to the present the Government had no knowledge as to who committed the crime. Inquiries were proceeding. Mr. Clynnes (Plating, Lab.) asked whether the right hon. gentleman's answer confirmed him in the opinion that Ireland was the freest country in the world. Sir H. Greenwood.—That is not what I said yesterday. My answer was, and reflection confirms it, that Ireland is the freest country in the world for journalists. (Laughter.)

WOMAN SHOT IN GALWAY.

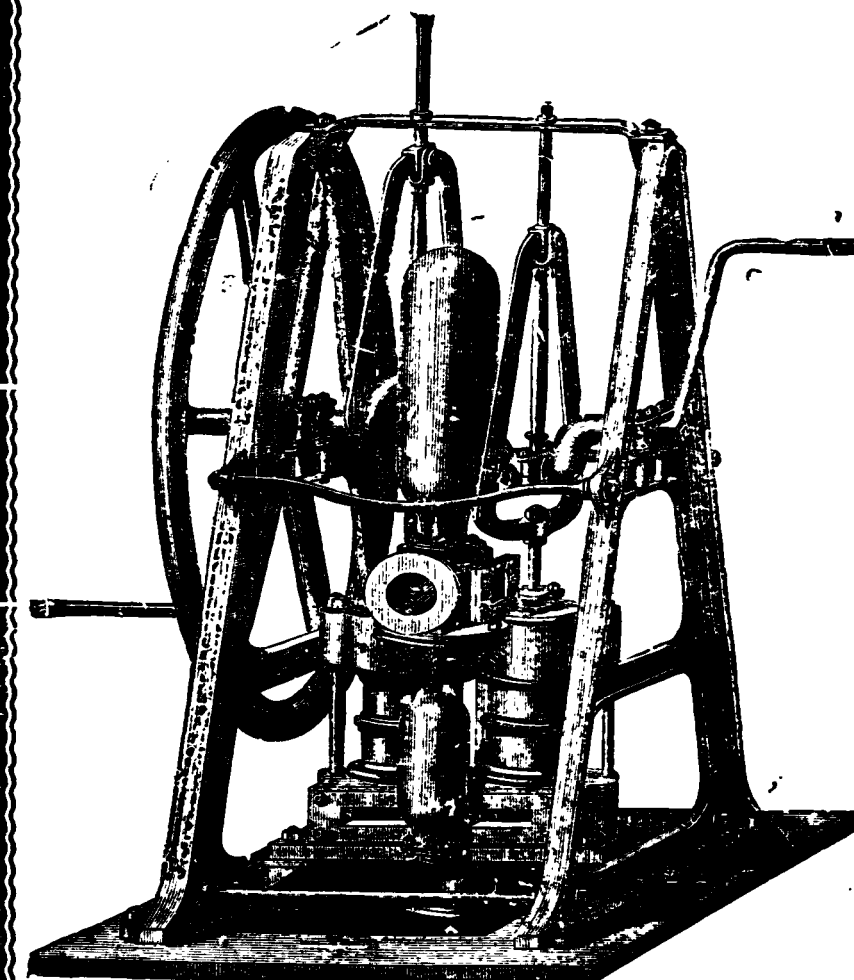
Mr. Devlin (Fals, Nat.) asked the Chief Secretary whether his attention had been drawn to the case of Mrs. Ellen Quin, who was fatally wounded on Monday evening last in County Galway, while sitting on the lawn of her house with a baby in her arms by a rifle shot from a passing lorry containing uniformed men.

Sir H. Greenwood said he regretted to say that Mrs. Quin had been killed. A Court of Inquiry was being held. He was informed by the police that two lorries were in the vicinity, and it might be that a shot had been fired in anticipation of an ambush in the neighbourhood. (Cries of "Shame!" and Mr. Devlin.—"Who are the baby-killers now?" It was not the general practice of uniformed men to act as suggested by the question. (Mr. Devlin.—"It is.") In reply to Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy, Sir H. Greenwood added that, of course, a very careful record was kept of the patrols and the ammunition used. Lieutenant-Commander Kenworthy asked, if that was so, why there should be any difficulty in tracing the case, and would the right hon. gentleman not assure the House that drastic steps should be taken to deal with the man who "took pot-shots at innocent women." (Cries of "Oh.") Sir H. Greenwood protested against that statement. (Cheers.)

Mr. T. P. O'Connor (Liverpool, Scotland, Nat.) asked leave to move the adjournment of the House to discuss "the continuance of the policy of frightfulness during the last few days by armed forces of the Crown in Ireland, including murders, the burning of towns, the destruction of property, and the

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threats of assassination of English Pressmen for publishing details of these crimes." [An Hon. Member.—"And the murder of policemen." (Cheers.)] When the Speaker asked if leave was given, all the members with the exception of Major-General Seely, seated on the front Opposition bench, the members of the Labour Party, the Independent Liberal members, and Lord Robert Cecil rose, and the debate was fixed for 3.15.

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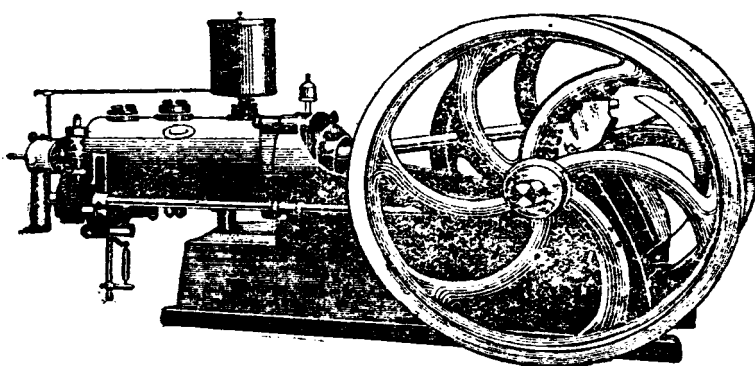
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